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Knockout! Club joy at Olympic torch visit

THE arrival of the Olympic Torch in Wolverhampton will be a double celebration for one sporting club which has urged people to get out and enjoy the "spectacle".

Wolverhampton Boxing Club, on Willenhall Road will watch the Olympic Torch pass right past the club's front door when the 8,000 mile relay comes through the area on June 30.

The club is already preparing to host four Olympian boxers from the Commonwealth of Dominica for the London games next summer.

More than 70 villages, towns and cities across the West Midlands – including Wolverhampton – will be visited during the tour.

John Thomas, aged 73, said: "We are over the moon because it goes right past our front door. Our lads are dying to have a go and spa with the Olympian boxers."

Mr Thomas, who has been secretary for more than 40 years, added: "We want everyone to get out on the streets and enjoy the spectacle that they will probably never see again."

Wolverhampton has been chosen to be part of the route the Olympic Torch will take on its way to London for next summer's games.

Historic

A series of special events will be held as some of the 8,000 Torchbearers carry the iconic flame through the city. As well as Wolverhampton and Essington, the route will take in all the main cities, towns and villages in the region before the relay culminates with a special evening of celebrations during an overnight stay in Birmingham.

The torch will be in Staffordshire on May 30 and then again on June 30 before heading through the Black Country region. It will first pass through Bloxwich, Leamore, Birchills and Walsall.

It will then be taken through Willenhall before heading to Wolverhampton and then onto Dudley via the Black Country Living Museum prior to heading to Oldbury, West Bromwich and Smethwick

At the Black Country Living Museum, the torch bearer will take the flame on a trip along the canal in the Stour boat, as well as ride on the historic tram line through the popular attraction.

The areas are among 1,018 villages, towns and cities across the country to be visited as part of the UK tour, which starts in Land's End on May 19 and finishes in London on July 27.

West Midlands for 2012 chairman David Moorcroft said the event would be a "once in a lifetime" experience for many people. "I am delighted that nobody in the West Midlands will be more than an hour away from the Olympic Flame as it passes through our region," he said.

Councillor Elias Mattu, cabinet member for leisure and communities, said: "We hope as many people as possible will be able to join in the events which we will be staging around the city on June 30."

Essington Parish Council chairman councillor David Clifft said: "This is a historic occasion and one I am sure will never be repeated again in Essington.

"We will be organising a whole host of events to celebrate the day."

South Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson added: "I think what this does is make everyone feel part of the Olympics."

The street-by-street detail of the route will be confirmed next year.

Wraps to come off Bert site

BILSTON'S striking new leisure centre was described as "fantastic" as it emerged the wraps will be coming off next month.

The first customers will be welcomed into the Bert Williams Leisure Centre on December 3.

The striking facility, named after the Wolves and England goalkeeping legend, will replace the ageing Bilston Leisure Centre and feature an eight-lane, 25m swimming pool, a studio pool, sauna, dance studio and a health and fitness suite.

There will also be four squash courts, a sports hall for badminton, basketball, netball, volleyball and five-a-side football, dedicated gym equipment for older people and a special gym for youngsters aged eight to 15.

Delighted

Councillor Elias Mattu, cabinet member for leisure and communities at Wolverhampton City Council, said: "It's very exciting that we are so close to the opening of this fantastic new leisure centre.

"I am sure the people of Bilston and the surrounding areas are going to be delighted with their new facilities."

The cost of the centre had always been quoted as £14.9m, but council bosses revealed its actual cost was £18.6m. They insisted the final figure is higher as it includes additional associated costs including fees, the cost of the land and a contribution to public artwork outside the facility.

It also includes the costs of creating a new tree-lined boulevard linking the development to Bilston town centre.

The centre in Nettlefolds Way marks the first phase of Bilston's £176m urban village development.

Jobs boost as Wolves get go-ahead for football academy

KICK-OFF FOR £50m SCHEME

THE £50 million transformation of green belt land that will see Wolves' training ground expanded is set to start in April after being given the go ahead by planners.

About 400 jobs will be created in construction and in the supply chain as part of the development at Compton Park.

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Wolverhampton City Council's planning committee supported the scheme, despite objections from some residents who voiced concerns that it could affect wildlife and lead to increased volumes of traffic.

And members of the committee said the benefits to the city "outweighed" concerns about taking up green belt land for development.

Wolves will expand the Sir Jack Hayward training ground and donate its £1m indoor academy arena at Aldersley Leisure Village to Wolves Community Trust. St Edmund's Catholic School will be relocated to make way for a £6m football academy and rebuilt with funding from the Government and Wolves.

Wolverhampton University will move completely off the site to make way for the new school building and development of 55 houses.

Despite some concerns over the project, Wolves received 800 messages of support online and 368 letters were sent to the council urging planners to back the proposals.

Exciting

Wolves bosses and residents welcomed news the development had been approved. Jez Moxey, chief executive of Wolves, said, "We very much welcome the news, which is an important step in making this significant investment in Wolverhampton a reality.

"I'd like to thank all of the Compton Park partners for their involvement so far. As a group of diverse private and public sector organisations, we've all played our part in this unique and exciting opportunity.

"Assuming we receive the final approvals to proceed, work on site will start with the construction of the new St Edmund's Catholic School in April next year."

City parade to honour heroes

WOLVERHAMPTON will mark its fallen heroes on Sunday with a special Remembrance Day service and parade. The proceedings will begin with a parade through the city centre, led by the West Midlands Fire Service Pipe Band starting from Wulfruna Street at approximately 10.40am.

A Drumhead Service will then take place on the Piazza, St Peter's Square at 11am, followed by a second service in St Peter's Church attended by the mayor and dignitaries.

Talented young make their mark

TALENTED toe-tapping children at a Wolverhampton performing arts school have scored record exam success.

Youngsters at the Caroline Lewis Performing Arts School, who practise at St Anthony's School, achieved top results in disciplines such as tap and ballet, acrobatics and disco dancing.

Singing

Teenager Nicole Appleby, aged 14, scored the highest mark of 140 students in the musical singing exams under the tutorship of Elaine Buckland, vocal coach at the Grand Theatre.

Meanwhile, 14-year-old Alycia Barnes landed the dancer of the year title for the second year running after scoring the best marks in all of her exams.

Back row are Michael Jones, aged nine, Elaine Bookland and Zak Bartlett, 10, with Nicole Appleby, left, and Alycia Barnes and front, Ruby Clews, five

Free car park is to close

THE free short stay car park at Wolverhampton's rail station will be closed for weeks to make room for replacement buses and coaches.

Drivers are being forced to use the long stay multi-storey car park, or drop or collect train passengers further down Railway Drive, leading to tailbacks.

The closure has been imposed because the car park is being used by coaches from Cosford rail station.

Shelters

The short-stay car park allows for 20 minutes free parking, but while it is closed drivers have the option of using the multi-storey for 30 minutes for free.

Some have been blocking the taxi rank at the main entrance to the station by picking up or dropping off passengers there.

Cosford closed on October 29 and will be shut until mid-March 2012 for new platforms and waiting shelters. However Wolverhampton station owners Virgin Trains said the car park closure is not expected to go on beyond November.

Cash plea in bid to light up village

COVEN Christmas lights committee is hoping to bring back the festive spirit this year but needs urgent funds to help light up the village.

A free festive food and craft fair will be held at Coven Memorial Hall, Brewood Road, this Sunday, from 2-5pm.

There will be a range of stalls with all proceeds to the Christmas initiative.

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War memorial attacks reach double figures

WAR memorials in the Black Country have been attacked by metal thieves and vandals more than a dozen times in two years. Council chiefs in one borough said vandalising a war monument should carry an automatic prison sentence.

The War Memorial Trust estimates at least one monument is targeted for metal every week, with cases soaring around the country. Each attack leads to costly repairs and heartache for families.

In Wolverhampton, plaques were stolen from Wednesfield's war memorial in Church Street in May, while the war memorial in St Peter's Square was also daubed with graffiti in October last year, leaving veterans in tears.

In Walsall, the council says there has been a rise in "disgraceful incidents of vandalism".

Cabinet member Councillor Adrian Andrew said: ""There were no incidents of metal theft before this, unless you go back to the 1960s when the metal panoramic viewing disc was stolen."

In March this year, £670 was spent replacing stolen plaques at Willenhall Memorial and a further £1,000 on repairs to Portobello Memorial. Plaques were also stolen from St Margaret's Church in Great Barr. Council leader Mike Bird said: "These offences should carry a mandatory prison sentence. The people who are nicking this stuff are the very people those who are honoured on the memorials fought for."

In Dudley, there have been two cases of attacks on war memorials, while Sandwell has also seen at least two.

The War Memorials Trust is planning to forensically mark the metal plaques of all UK memorials with Smartwater – an invisible liquid that can be seen only under UV light.

City council tenants in £1.3m rent arrears

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MORE than a third of council tenants in Wolverhampton are behind on their rent – owing more than £1.3 million to housing chiefs, new figures have revealed.

The city's council housing company Wolverhampton Homes has admitted that 8,109 of the tenants in its 23,500 properties have arrears. A further 1,002 people owe money to the tenant management organisations of Bushbury, Dovecotes, New Park Village and Springfields. Bosses said it was down to the poor economy and that they were trying to help.

They are going to run an annual campaign urging people to make sure their rent is paid before they spend money on Christmas.

But a former councillor who served on the city's housing committee has raised concerns at the large amount of money owed to the public purse.

John Mellor, a former Graiseley councillor who spent 16 years on the housing committee until 2003, said: "The figures in the days I was a councillor were running up to £40,000 in arrears for the lot.

Estate

"They have gone up drastically. It gives me cause for concern to see the present state."

Mr Mellor used the Freedom of Information Act to find out that Wolverhampton Homes was owed £1,113,930 at the end of October. The tenant management organisations and estate management boards were owed £200,865.

Mark Henderson, director of housing at Wolverhampton Homes, said: "Arrears levels fluctuate throughout the year and typically we see a spike in arrears over the summer months.

"Tenants are telling us that times are tough and we're working hard to help them as much as possible.

"Currently there are 1.74 per cent of tenants, which represents 374 tenants, who owe seven or more weeks rent, which puts us among the best housing providers in the country."

Power plant plan to heat i54 business park region

A PLANNED £120 million power plant and incinerator would heat the i54 business park and nearby homes in Wolverhampton, bosses have announced.

The proposal for the Greenpower 54 site has been unveiled after residents voiced concerns about noise, smells and traffic caused by the development on the Wolverhampton-Staffordshire boundary. The scheme, which would include a 328ft chimney would create 70 jobs and would see wood, sawdust and other "biomass" burned to generate electricity.

Developers Express Power Ltd said that it would be "investigating opportunities to provide heating to customers in the local area, including the i54 business park".

It means that Jaguar Land Rover, Moog and Eurofins, all of which are building new factories and offices on the i54 next to the proposed power plant in Wobaston Road, Fordhouses, would be able to get power for their heating from it.

The plant is expected to generate enough energy to provide electricity for 47,500 homes.

Paul Zanin, projects planning director at Express Power Limited, said: "Electricity from the proposed renewable energy generation facility will be transmitted to the local distribution network.

Underground

"Some of the electricity may be transmitted from the network to local consumers in Wolverhampton.

"Otherwise, it would be transmitted to the National Grid. Electricity will be transmitted by new underground cable installations," Mr Zanin added.

About 58 trucks a day will visit the site during the three-year construction period. It comes at the same time as 18 months of work, starting next summer, to build a new M54 slip road and move the Vine island in Stafford Road.

Bushbury North councillor Neville Patten said residents had told him that they had "suffered enough" from smells from other similar sites such as the Simpro compost producer in Coven.

He said: "We need to wait for the consultation but residents feel there is already going to be stress and strain on the Wobaston Road because of developments on the i54." A planning application has yet to be submitted but it is expected work would begin some 2012.

Planners are set to discuss new cemetery scheme

A NEW cemetery containing up to 30,000 burial plots in South Staffordshire and creating six jobs is now a step closer to reality after plans were submitted to council planners.

The cemetery in Essington goes some way towards meeting the urgent need for burial space in the district. Developers say 1,000 burial plots would be reserved specifically for people living in Essington. The urgent need for burial space in South Staffordshire was identified some years ago but has become more pressing as burial space in the north of the district nears capacity.

The nearest cemetery in South Staffordshire is in Sytch Lane, Wombourne, which opened in 2009.

It currently has around 2,500 available plots, which should last for the next 20 to 25 years.

The plans for Essington also feature an office and car park for 100 vehicles. The 30-acre cemetery off Bursnips Road will be open to visitors from Monday to Saturday.

Essington Councillor David Clifft said: "There is limited burial space in the village at the moment. People in Essington are calling for this and have been for some time. It's good to see it moving forward."

Proposed

The cemetery is being proposed for land next to Essington's new nine-hole golf course, which is currently being built off Bursnips Road.

A planning statement to the council says: "The residents of Essington and the similar surrounding residential areas are required to pay three or four times the cost of purchasing a local burial plot for the privilege of being buried in the nearby public cemeteries.

"The nearest cemetery available to all at the lower price is Wombourne Cemetery which is on the far side of Wolverhampton. This (plan) will provide and ensure that this cemetery will have a permanent local identity, empathy and association with Essington which will be to the benefit of everyone. The only local alternative, a cremation, is not to everyone's option or choice."

The applicants are Paul Boot and Norman Clarke.

A new access for vehicles into the cemetery has been proposed. The cemetery will also include walkways to make it reminiscent of a country park.

Cannabis factory is found in house

A CANNABIS factory was discovered during a police raid in Wolverhampton.

Officers targeted the home in Carlyle Road, The Scotlands, early on Saturday. Fifteen cannabis plants were found and a 48-year-old man was arrested and charged with producing a Class B drug.

Classy results for school

Pupils from St Martin's and Field View primary schools celebrate

A PRIMARY school has dramatically turned around its fortunes after teaming up with another school.

Field View Primary School, in Lonsdale Road, Bilston, was put into special measures by Ofsted in March 2010 but a recent inspection has found it is making good progress with standards improving.

The success comes after the school decided to join with St Martin's Primary School in Wallace Road, as part of a special federation.

Both schools now support each other and since the federation began in September 2010 prospects for the school and its pupils are on the up. In English and maths before the federation only 28 per cent of students met the required standard but this has now soared to 62 per cent.

Oftsed inspector Joanne Harvey, who visited the school in September, said: "Standards have continued to rise and the legacy of underachievement has been further reduced across the school."

Executive headteacher Lynne Law said the school was confident of being taken out of special measures following its next Ofsted inspection.

Four-years for revenge attack

A WOMAN who set fire the Black Country home of the man she blamed for her boyfriend being jailed has been locked up for four years.

Katherine Hubbard set light to the maisonette at 6am after a gas pipe was broken. The blaze threatened to sweep through the premises and other properties in the block at Strathfield Walk, Merry Hill, where several people were sleeping, Wolverhampton Crown Court was told. Prosecutor Mr Mark Rees said the blaze on December 30 last year caused £6,000 of damage.

The maisonette was empty as the lodger had been forced to move out days earlier by a water leak.

Mr Rees revealed: "He was the person that this defendant was after. When the incident was over she said; 'I don't care if he is dead. It would teach him not to mess with me. He is the reason my partner has gone to prison.' Hubbard, now aged 20 but 19 at the time, of Sweetman Street, Whitmore Reans, had drunk 15 pints and seven whiskies before launching the attack, the court was told.

She pleaded guilty to arson with intent to endanger life and was sent to a young offenders institution for four years with an extended four year licence on release.

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Historic lake on market for £150k

AN historic lake in Wolverhampton stocked with dozens of carp has gone on the market for £150,000.

Bushbury Pool, which sits on 4.4 acres of land and is accessed through security gates off Showell Road, Low Hill, is being sold by fisheries sales experts Fenn Wright.

Tom Good, from the firm, said the lake is currently used as a syndicated fishing area and it may be an ideal opportunity for developers.

"We looked at it and thought it could be used for something else but there isn't a lot of land with it," he said.

"It could be kept as a fishing area and opened to the wider public, perhaps by putting a car park in there and offering fishing on a day-ticket basis. It could be bought by a developer and the pool could be filled in entirely. Then of course the possibilities are endless."

Potential

Mr Good said the current owner of the pool had bought it as an investment because his father was interested in fishing but now wanted to sell it. Experts say the attractive pool is well-stocked with "double figure carp," up to 30lbs in weight.

Martin Freeman, who also works for Fenn Wright, added: "The pool is a mature fishery, lying tucked in between two railway lines and a road, but has good security fencing. It is currently managed on a syndicate basis, but I believe there could be potential for the area to be developed as a day ticket fishery."

Water from the lake was used in 1941 so firefighters could extinguish a huge blaze at a former tool factory in Fourth Avenue.

Full details of Bushbury Pool are available from Fenn Wright on 01206 216555 or visit the website www.fisheries4sale.com

Bath tragedy alcoholic found by neighbour

AN alcoholic found collapsed in a bath at his Bilston home died following excessive drinking, an inquest heard.

Melvin Southam, aged 61, was found by his neighbour Andrew Munro who had heard the sound of running water coming from his flat in Wellington Road, on November 29 last year.

He found Mr Southam in the bath, with bruising and injuries to his arms. Emergency services were called and Mr Southam was confirmed dead just before 1pm.

A pathologist's report said Mr Southam's injuries were consistent with him falling over while drunk. Tests confirmed he had Alcoholic Ketoacidosis, a build up of ketones in the blood.

Black Country coroner Robin Balmain recorded a verdict of natural death at Smethwick Council House.

Pensioner told to get rid of 13 cats

A PENSIONER from Wolverhampton who owns 18 cats has been ordered by council bosses to get rid of 13 of them.

Jane Bood's pets triggered a 50-name petition from neighbours in Lower Prestwood Road last year. At the time, she had 27 cats but city council bosses said they felt that she had not got rid of enough of them in that time and have now taken action.

Official notice has now been served on the 64-year-old widow, giving her six months to get rid of more of the animals. If not, she could be found to have breached the planning permission on her home by using it as a "cattery".

Her niece said she intends to appeal.

Alexander, Wolverhampton City Council's head of development control, said: "Members of the petitions committee supported officers' view that a notice should be served on the owner of a large number of cats at a property in Lower Prestwood Road. Enforcement officers have been working on the enforcement notice with our legal team, and this notice has been served.

Solution

"The notice will require that the owner reduces the number of cats to five within six months. There is a right of appeal against the notice where, amongst other things, the notice can be quashed, the owner can ask for more time or could ask to keep more of her cats.We are currently trying to work with the owner to find a solution to the problem that is satisfactory to her, her neighbours and takes into consideration the welfare of the cats. The situation will be reviewed at the end of the six-month period."

Mrs Bood's niece Helen Lowbridge said: "I have been working collaboratively with the council to arrive at a solution that meets the needs of both parties. I will be appealing against the notice both in terms of the number of cats to be reduced and the timing of the review period."

Neighbours complained for a second time earlier this year when they noticed kittens, despite the council asking Mrs Bood to have her cats neutered.

Mrs Lowbridge said all but one of the adult cats had been neutered and the remaining one would be neutered once the kittens were old enough.

Hospitals set to be special trauma units

EVERY hospital in the Black Country will become a specialist trauma unit as part of a major shake-up aimed at saving more lives. Wolverhampton's New Cross, Dudley's Russells Hall, Walsall Manor and Sandwell General hospitals have been given the go-ahead to become trauma units.

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They will link up with the three major trauma centres in the region and will treat more than 370 people a year with the most severe injuries.

These include those to the head or spine, severe knife or gunshot wounds and those that require amputation.

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham, the University Hospital of North Staffordshire and University Hospital Coventry will become major centres treating patients from across the West Midlands.Birmingham Children's Hospital will be the regional major trauma centre for children.

The four hospitals in the Black Country will now work to meet new standards on trauma care as part of the plan to improve life-saving efforts in the region.

Stafford Hospital, which is at the centre of a public inquiry into its care, has not applied to become a trauma unit.

The West Midlands Strategic Commissioning Group said the new regional trauma system will come into action from next March.

The system will see people who suffer major trauma get access to specialist medical teams, with specialist services available on one hospital site.

Patients will have access to high quality emergency trauma care 24 hours a day, seven days a week which is not currently available.

Eamonn Kelly, chairman of the trauma project board, said it could save an extra 60 lives a year in the region.

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Yellow lines may be last resort in parking battle

YELLOW lines could be the last resort to stop parking chaos on a Wolverhampton road near Molineux Stadium.

Residents attending a crime and community meeting last week protested about the difficulty of getting in and out of their homes in Staveley Road, Whitmore Reans.

One resident at the meeting at The Elms Resource Centre, Whitmore Reans, said: "The footpath is blocked off causing the community to have to walk in the road just to get by".

She described parking as "hazardous and dangerous".

The meeting was told traffic tended to build during match days and from people working within the city centre and were due to poor parking conditions. Councillor Tersaim Singh, Labour member for St Peter's, said: "The solution is to put down double yellow lines on one side of the road."

But he said the problem was not as straightforward as it appeared.He added: "Putting down the double yellow lines will reduce traffic but will upset local residents as they will be unable to park".

Investigate

Wolverhampton City Council spokesman Paul Brown said: "There have been historical issues regarding Staveley Road, which has very limited off-street parking provision."

West Midlands Travel stopped the 535 bus service passing along the road due to difficulty in getting through.

Councillor Singh is set to discuss the issue with the council's transport services and Mr Brown said if it was raised, engineers would investigate ways of mitigating any problems.

Fans score with Forces collection

Jack Bell, aged eight, and Charlotte Bell, 13, with Pte Paul Breakwell

WOLVES fans dug deep for Armed Forces charities during the weekend Premier League clash with Wigan.

Troops from the 4 Mercian regiment were at Molineux with collection tins in aid of its benevolent fund and Help Heroes.

Club spokesman Paul Berry said that the amount raised through the generosity of thousands of supporters at the game was still being calculated.

"It was great to see so many different members of the Armed Forces at the ground and fans contributing yet again to some fantastic causes," he said. "The minute's silence before the game was also impeccably observed by all fans, which was great."

Before the 3-1 win for Wolves, all three of the main services were welcomed onto the pitch as part of the club's recognition of their efforts.

Players wore special edition tops featuring embroidered poppies to support the Royal British Legion Poppy Day Appeal.

Those shirts will signed by the team and auctioned off via the club's ebay website in the coming weeks to help boost funds even further

REVIEW

Grand classic is spirited performance

A Christmas Carol – the musical, The Grand

Bilston Operatic Society's adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic, from the incredibly-colourful extravaganza of Mr Fezziwig's Christmas bash to the Busby Berkeley-style dance routine in the Ghost of Christmas Present's vision, is a spectacle to behold.

Right from the start it's apparent the company has put the time and effort into producing this show with the wonderfully colourful costumes and the lively choreography of an impressive cast.

Word perfect, Stephen Harper portrays the central character of despised miser Ebenezer Scrooge who hates Christmas and everything it stands for. He is visited by the ghost of his former business partner Jacob Marley, played by Jon Dempsey, whose ghostly shimmering looked a little odd, but his voice more than made up for that.

He warns Scrooge of the visitations of three ghosts who aim to show him the error of his ways. The visions from the spectres of Christmas past, present and future are cleverly done. There were some technical and timing issues which will surely be ironed out over the coming performances but overall it is a wonderful show which the whole cast and crew should be proud of.

Special mention should go to Greg Yates who camped it up marvellously as Mr Fezziwig and filled the theatre with the sound of his powerful and clear voice. He was aided and abetted by the energetically, animated Maggie Page as his wife.

It runs until Saturday (12).

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Gray and Keys show called off

AN appearance by controversial sports presenters Richard Keys and Andy Gray at Wolverhampton's Civic Hall this week has been cancelled.

Civic bosses said the pair had backed out of their question and answer session amid claims they had not had enough time to rehearse. Other dates were cancelled due to poor ticket sales. Gray was sacked by Sky Sports for off-air sexist remarks about football official Sian Massey. Keys resigned.

Upgrade for the council website

THE website for Wolverhampton City Council will be taken down for a day as it is upgraded and given a new look.

Council chiefs say they have spent no public money on the upgrade, which they say will make it more appealing and offer new features.

Improvements to the site, which goes live tomorrow (Friday) include a dedicated section for businesses, as well as areas of information for residents and visitors. Other developments include a new translation service using Google which converts the website into 58 languages.

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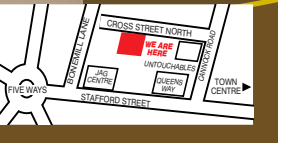

Father is jailed for attack at party

A FATHER of six from Wolverhampton has been jailed for two-years for violence at his 30th birthday party that wrecked the life of a guest.

Lee Pearson pushed William Maybury, aged 44, over in a car park and punched him twice with such force his head "smacked" against the ground, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard last week.

It was later discovered that Mr Maybury suffered a brain trauma, prosecutor Mr Howard Searle told the court. He now suffers suspected epilepsy, and although a professional driver, he cannot get back behind the wheel for at least 12 months.

Argument

His hearing and speech are impaired, and he has difficulties reading and writing, the court heard.

Trouble flared outside the ECC Sports & Social Club in Showell Road, Low Hill, last November. Pearson's aunt fell to the ground during an argument that involved Mr Maybury, Mr Searle said.

Pearson pushed Mr Maybury to the floor, and witness Darren George told how Pearson punched Mr Maybury twice.

David Bratt, defending, said Pearson, of Prestwood Road West, Wednesfield, who admitted causing grievous bodily harm, was not violent by nature.

Mr Maybury said: "This has changed my life."

Dog owner pleads guilty over 'horrific' attack

Wayne Babb

A BULL mastiff-type dog carried out an "horrific" attack on an 11-year-old schoolgirl as her terrified classmates looked on, a court heard.

The victim suffered 14cm wounds to her leg when the dog, which was unmuzzled and not on a lead, bit her during a school visit to Bantock Park in Wolverhampton in May.

Wayne Babb, aged 32, of Junction Street, in Netherton, pleaded guilty to allowing the dog to be dangerously out of control when he appeared before city magistrates last week. The court was told how the girl, who cannot be named, was on a school trip to the park when the dog lunged at her. Frightened pupils and teachers were unable to drag it free.

Problems

Prosecuting, Miss Rosie Sivia said there were around 70 pupils in the park when the animal approached the children and bit the girl.

She was taken to New Cross Hospital and requiring stitches, has permanent scars and has suffered psychological problems.

Chairman of the bench Geoff Hudson handed Babb a three-year conditional discharge. He must also pay the victim £750 compensation. The dog was ordered to be destroyed.

In a separate case, Babb was also fined £50 for abstracting £500 of electricity from a house in Trysull Road, Merry Hill, in February 2010. He must also pay a £15 surcharge.

City club stays as others face axe

ELEVEN nightclubs around the country are to close and 300 people will lose their jobs after Luminar – owner of Wolverhampton's Oceana venue – went into administration.

The Oceana clubs in Wolverhampton and Birmingham will remain open as a going concern.

Administrators from Ernst & Young said the closures were part of a "strategic review" of the business, which has 76 clubs and 2,500 staff nationwide.

Ernst & Young said the closures represented a speeding-up of the turnaround plans drawn up by the management of the business, which has been struggling with losses and falling income among its hard-up youth market.

Identified

The loss-making venues being shut had already been identified by Luminar as "non-core."

They include the Fuse in Redditch, which employs 15 people, as well as Tru, Liquid, Lava and Ignite clubs in Brighton, Wigan, Basingstoke, Northampton, Sunderland and Swindon.

The hope is that the remaining estate of profitable clubs, including Wolverhampton's, will be attractive to potential buyers.

Joint administrator Alan Hudson said: "To date we have received a large number of enquires in the business as a whole and individual sites, and are actively engaged in discussions with these parties."

Higher death rates unavoidable – chief

HIGHER than expected death rates among patients at New Cross Hospital were "unavoidable", its boss has said. David Loughton announced that a detailed study of deaths had revealed some instances of poor care.

But these did not contribute to the patients' deaths. Recently it emerged the hospital was the worst performing NHS trust in the Black Country for the numbers of patients who died when they were expected to live. Eleven per cent more people – 224 – died last year than expected.

The figure was based on new mortality rates calculated by the NHS Information Centre.

Since 2008 New Cross has received six alerts by the NHS watchdog the Care Quality Commission, which launched an investigation into the hospital earlier this year following concerns over high deaths rates among some patient groups.

In a statement posted on the hospital's website, Mr Loughton, chief executive of The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Hospitals Trust, accepted the high death rates for the hospital was a "warning signal to prompt further investigation".

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He said the hospital had been "rigorous" in its reviews of the deaths highlighted by the commission, which had accepted the results.

Mr Loughton said: "To the best of our knowledge none of these deaths were avoidable. That is not to say we did not identify errors or issues where care could have been better, but these were not a contributing factor to the patient's death."

He said the death rates were useful in understanding how the hospital was performing but added: "They are not enough on their own to give a whole picture of the organisation."

Crash! Pupils turn detective

Reece Campbell, aged 10, discovers the 'wreckage' on the playing field at Fallings Park Primary School

YOUNGSTERS at a Wolverhampton school have turned detective after a crash apparently happened on their playing field.

Children at Fallings Park Primary, in Old Fallings Lane, found pretend wreckage on the field. As part of a creative writing project they were spending the week investigating what happened to cause the 'debris'.

Some of the 240 youngsters aged between six and 11 have been tasked with writing police reports on the staged incident, while others will pull together a newspaper story.

Giles Godfrey, the school's literacy co-ordinator, said: "This really brings writing to life and we feel that if children have the opportunity to touch and see things for themselves, they don't have to use their own imagination so much.

"We give them the stimulus to write and they use their imagination to be creative in what they produce. For the week, children have been investigating what happened and have been picking up hints here and there from teachers."

At the end of this week, children will submit their reports and the caus of the huge 'crash' will be revealed.

Talks due after protest over parking charges

REDUCING parking charges in the city centre will be debated by councillors after business leaders in Wolverhampton forced the move.

Wolverhampton Business Group gathered 3,500 signatures on just four Saturday mornings to trigger the debate, only the second one ever to be forced upon the full council.

The threshold to force a debate is 2,500 signatures, but group chairman Henry Carver said the extra 1,000 proved the strength of feeling among shoppers and traders.

The petition demands the price of an hour's parking at the Civic Centre fall from £1.70 for two hours to 50p for an hour and £1 for two. It wants the same charges at St Peter's as well as at Fold Street, where it is currently 60p for an hour.

Wolverhampton City Council reduced the charges at Fold Street earlier this year in response to demands from traders.

Mr Carver said: "The general view of most people was that parking is too expensive for what is on offer. It is about value for money. We have recently lost TK Maxx from the city centre and it has moved to Bentley Bridge, where parking is free.

"Parking is also free at Merry Hill, where there is a better offer. Bilston also has free parking."

Wolverhampton City Council's deputy leader Councillor Peter Bilson said the ruling Labour group had already made big changes to parking charges, including the first reductions in a decade.

Shopping

Hundreds more free parking spaces will be available in Wolverhampton in the run-up to Christmas. Almost 900 spaces on car parks at the Mander Centre and Beatties will be free to coincide with late-night shopping evenings.

Councillor Paddy Bradley said: "Bilston Market does very well and there are no parking charges. Charges do deter people from coming into the city and we should look very seriously at this." It is expected that the debate will be heard on December 21.

Appeal after demolition of murder mansion

THE demolition of the house where failed businessman Christopher Foster murdered his Wolverhampton-born wife Jill and daughter Kirstie before killing himself has 'wiped away' the last memories of the family, his brother has said.

Andrew Foster, from Castlecroft in Wolverhampton, has renewed his plea for whoever ends up owning the land to allow him to build a memorial on the site for his 15-year-old niece Kirstie.

There is now nothing left of the luxury mansion near Oswestry which was set alight by Christopher Foster after the murders. Andrew said: "The remains of the house were the last memory I had of it and Christopher and his family and now they are gone."

Kirstie and her mother were murdered by Christopher Foster in 2008.

Sheer poetry as lecturer is honoured

A POEM by a University of Wolverhampton lecturer has been featured in a piece of artwork in a new urban village square in Birmingham.

The new £660,000 square in Kings Heath has been funded by the Big Lottery, Birmingham City Council and King's Heath Centre Partnership.

The poem by senior lecturer in English, Dr Rosie Miles, is etched into a paved swirl feature in a walkway leading into a labyrinth in the new square. The inscription came about after Dr Miles met Worcester-based artist Alison Ogle who was commissioned to create mosaic inlays in the maze.

The poem is titled You Enter and is inspired by walking a labyrinth.

Dr Miles, who was shortlisted for the Birmingham Poet Laureate role in 2010 and was recently awarded a prestigious National Teaching Fellowship, said: "It's a great honour to have something of my own writing etched into my local community in this way."

The new square was officially opened by the Lord Mayor of Birmingham and Dr Miles read her poem to a crowd of 500 people at the ceremony.

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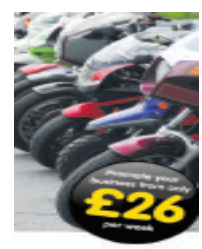

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Plan for 41ft mast back on agenda

CONTROVERSIAL plans for a towering mobile phone mast near a Wolverhampton library which were rejected by councillors, are back on the table after operators launched an appeal.

Vodafone and O2 want to install a 41ft-high pole with two antennae on land close to Ashmore Park Library. Wolverhampton City Council rejected the proposals but the phone firms have appealed to a Government inspectorate to reverse the decision. A Bristol-based inspector will consider whether to grant permission in the coming weeks.

Residents and councillors said the development would be an eyesore after the plans were submitted.

A judgement published by the council stated that the pole would be a "prominent, obtrusive and incongruous feature" while warning it could also endanger pedestrians by encroaching on the pavement.

Declaration

Wednesfield North Conservative councillor Neil Clarke has backed residents who objected to the plans citing fears about health risks surrounding mobile phone masts.

He said: "The vast majority of people in Ashmore Park seem to be against this. These mobile phone companies need somebody to come out with a proper declaration saying once and for all that these masts are perfectly safe.

"Up to now that has simply not happened and until they reassure me that they are absolutely safe, I will be objecting."

He added: "This mast would be next to a library which is well used by local children and it's right next door to Ashmore Park Nursery.

"If there's a risk it could affect children then of course parents and grandparents are going to be against it."

Labour councillor Rita Potter, who submitted a letter of objection against the scheme, said: "This is an inappropriate location in a built up area. Why don't they find a bit of wasteland?"

The phone companies claim that more masts are needed to cope with increasing numbers of smart phones.

Plans for a 45ft mast opposite The Westacres pub in Finchfield Hill and another fronting the Murco garage in Claregate have also been rejected by the council.

Taking business idea at face value

Ross Harper and Ed Moyse

TWO graduates have found the perfect place to advertise their latest business venture, and hopefully wipe out their student debt – their faces.

Former Cambridge University students Ross Harper, whose father comes from Wolverhampton, and Ed Moyse will be renting their faces out as online billboards for the next year. They are offering to paint a different logo, symbol or message on their faces each day with advertising space starting at £1.

Websites

A picture of the face, complete with painted logo, is then posted online at the website Buymyface.com for public view across the country and potentially the world. An online calendar, showing exactly which dates have been brought and which are available, also contains links to advertiser's own websites.

Ed, aged 22, came up with the idea as a way of paying off the combined £50,000 student debt the pair now owe after completing degrees in economics and neuroscience respectively.

Following five months of face-painting practice they launched the website on October 1. It has already raised more than £5,000.

The pair have practised face painting

Warning of £60 fines over school parking

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PARENTS who drive dangerously and park their cars on footpaths when collecting their children from a Wolverhampton school will be hit with £60 fines.

Some children who go to Oxley Primary School in Low Hill have almost been hit by vehicles because of irresponsible driving in Ripon Road, it has been claimed. Parents have been arriving outside up to 45 minutes before youngsters leave school, and have been known to argue about parking spaces, headteacher Lorraine Adams said.

Neighbourhood Sgt Mark Bates said officers had tried a number of tactics to combat the problem, including blocking the road with cones to prevent people parking there.

And the school had issued letters of advice to parents, urging them not to park irresponsibly because of the potential danger to children.

But the problem has continued, leading to residents regularly complaining to officers at community meetings.

Officers have now said they will monitor vehicles outside the school and issue fines to those deemed to be parking dangerously.

Mrs Adams said up to 10 cars parked each day when coming for children at 3.15pm.

"We regularly include on our newsletter the issue about parking and the fact that parents need to be responsible.

Avoided

"We have had a couple of mini-accidents that could have been avoided had parents parked further away. It's my worry that someone could be seriously hurt."

Mrs Adams said parents on foot had been "touched" by cars trying to perform three-point turns, and in another incident, a young child was almost hit by a vehicle.

There are also parking problems on the corner of Ripon Road and Bushbury Lane, with parents parking their vehicles and blocking the view of vehicles leaving Ripon Road.

"Some parents only live around the corner and we've encouraged them to walk but it has continued to be an issue," added Mrs Adams.

The school is in contact with Wolverhampton City Council to see what else can be done to solve the parking problem and bosses at nearby Goodyear have issued pupils with high-visibility jackets.

Cool! Firm's triple sucess

ONE of the UK's biggest water cooler companies, based in Wolverhampton, is celebrating its third major deal after going on the takeover trail with backing from a major investment company.

Angel Springs, which employs 180 people and serves 30,000 customers , has bought Hertfordshire-based Water at Work for an undisclosed sum, thought to be in six figures.

Angel Springs' managing director, John Dundon, said: "This acquisition is another example of our ambition to continue to grow our business and to lead the consolidation of what is a fragmented UK water cooler market.

The deal was completed with support from private equity provider LDC, who invested in Angel Springs in July.

Family business Water at Work was established in 2005.

Six of the best in medals tally

Winners – Connor Harvey, front, with Curtis Harvey, back left, instructor Stennett Harvey, Amelia Harvey, and, middle from left, Megan Hill, John Steel and Tom Steel

THE future looks golden for a group of young Wolverhampton martial arts stars after they returned home with an impressive haul of medals from the European Championships.

The six members of the Central England Wado-Ryu Karate Academy received £1,764 from the city's Building Schools for the Future project to take part in the tournament in Lisbon.

It proved to be money well spent as the sextet came back from Portugal with a dozen gold medals and a bronze. One family had particular reason to celebrate after 16-year-old Amelia Harvey, her 15-year-old brother Curtis, both from Oxley, and their cousin Connor, 11, from Parkfields, all struck gold in their respective age groups. Megan Hill and Tom Steel, both 11, also came first in their categories while Tom's brother John, 10, collected a bronze medal.

Chief instructor Stennett Harvey, who is Curtis and Amelia's father, said: "I had double reason for pride since I am both a parent and an official at the club."

Riot girl fails to get cut in sentence

A TEENAGER who was locked up for stealing a television from a shop during riots in the Black Country has failed to get her sentence reduced – and lost the right to keep her identity a secret.

Annabel Heys, 18, has served two months of a 10-month term for burglary but asked a judge to reduce the sentence, saying it had been a "horrible experience", but Judge John Warner said her appeal had "no merit at all" during a hearing at Wolverhampton Crown Court.

The teenager, who was 17 when she was convicted and therefore could not be identified in the press, can now be named because court restrictions to protect her identity no longer apply.

She had walked out of Sunitek.com in Broad Street, Wolverhampton, with the £500 TV and was caught the next day in A&E at New Cross Hospital being treated for cuts caused by broken glass, the court heard.

The business faced £60,000 in losses after the riots and the owners have since struggled to make ends meet, Mrs Joanne Barker, prosecuting, said.

Pushed

Heys, an A-level student at Wolverhampton College, had not intended to get involved, the court was told. But as the disorder broke out, she became "drawn in" as no buses were running for her to get home.

Heys, of Holloway Drive, Wombourne, said she was pushed into the shop and then carried the TV a few yards before leaving it with a friend.

During yesterday's appeal hearing, Judge Warner was asked to consider freeing her in time to return to college next week for an open day to sign up for her next year of study.

Mr Tariq Shakoor, defending, said she had been badly affected by her mother's death two years ago was "deeply ashamed" of her actions. Heys had a chance of going to university to study English or maths and had no previous convictions, he added.

But Judge Warner told her: "I am in no doubt whatsoever that the sentence should not be reduced. Given the sort of sentences that have arisen from these events, it could have been much longer, but as an act of mercy, I will not extend it.

"The appeal is refused as there is no merit in it at all."

Enlightening filmgoers

A CINEMA in Wolverhampton will be plunged into darkness as part of a charity event to raise awareness of visual impairment.

The Light House Cinema in Wolverhampton will screen award-winning film The King's Speech at an event entitled Dark House on Monday, November 21.

During the screening, audience members will be able to experience what it would be like to be visually impaired as parts of the film will be blacked out and an audio description broadcast across the auditorium.

Cinema audio description is a service for people with sight problems and involves the film's soundtrack played as normal through surround sound speakers, while a recorded narrator explains what is happening on screen during gaps in the dialogue through personal headphones.

Tickets cost £12.50 and all proceeds will go to Sedgley's Beacon Centre for the Blind.

Kate Fletcher, Beacon Centre spokeswoman, said "We are really grateful to Light House Cinema for providing this opportunity to demonstrate what a cinema visit would be like for a visually-impaired person."

Gates for city trouble road

GATES will be installed at both ends of Wolverhampton's busy Broad Street to enforce a pedestrian-only zone at weekends.

The road will be closed overnight so the swing gates can be fitted, replacing retractable bollards fitted two years ago that have been repeatedly damaged or faulty.

Police requested the road be closed on Friday and Saturday nights after brawls and robberies.

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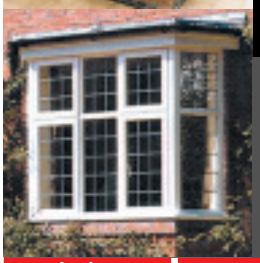

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Let's play! Chance for gamers to book in

GAMERS of all ages are invited to join in with a special event at Perton Library.

It is the only library in the county taking part in National Gaming Day which is this Saturday (12). The event runs from 10am-3pm.

National Gaming Day is organised by the American Library Association and libraries all over the world are invited to enter into the spirit of play and take part.

All types of games will be on offer on the day, ranging from traditional tabletop and card games to state-of-the art video console games.

The idea behind this initiative is to use game playing to engage people's interest and boost the reading and numeracy skills of players of all ages.

Classic

The Reading Agency, an independent charity with a mission to inspire people to read more has backed the event.

In addition to the games on offer, Cannock Gaming Club will be holding an all day role-playing session and Brewood Chess Club will be encouraging youngsters to have a go at the classic game.

County Councillor Pat Corfield, Cabinet Member for Culture, Communities and Customers said: "Any initiative that encourages learning through fun sounds good to me."

For more information call Perton Library on 01902 755794.

£3m leisure centre plans due to go in

DETAILED plans for a £3 million leisure centre in Essington are due to be submitted for consideration by Christmas.

Work on the major new facility will get under way early in the New Year ahead of a 2013 launch, if the proposals are given the go ahead by the district council.

The centre is being proposed to go alongside a new golf course currently under construction in Bursnips Road. The plans feature a swimming pool, spa, gym and steam room.

They are being drawn up by developer Wood Farm Golf and Leisure Ltd.

Essington Parish Council chairman, Councillor David Clifft, said: "We are still waiting for the plans to be submitted to the council but we expect them to go in by Christmas.

"The first building as you come into the car park will house the swimming pool, while the next building will have the sauna, gym and jacuzzi.

"Then, on the other side, there is the separate golf clubhouse which has a bar and function room.

"We'll be pushing for the plans to get submitted as soon as possible."

Just over 100 car park spaces will also be created under the scheme put forward.

Councillor Clifft added building work could take up to 20 months.

It comes as landscaping work for a new nine-hole golf course on the same 100-acre site gathers pace.

Installed

The first green has been completed and fairways, water hazards, bunkers and footpaths installed at the course.

Both projects will bring employment, facilities and amenities which Councillor Clifft says are badly needed in the village.

Councillors have asked that a condition is put in place so Essington residents are given discounts to use the leisure centre if it is approved as expected.

The development is the latest multi-million pound project in the village over the past four years.

In 2008 Walsall FC moved into a £1 million training centre.

And a much-needed medical centre and pharmacy was also created after years of calls by villagers.

Drop in for Bible tour and talks

A NEW UK-wide touring Bible exhibition arrives for display in Wombourne next week.

Entry is free and it will be open every day from Tuesday, November 15 to Saturday, November 19 from 10am-5pm at the Christadelphian Hall in Church Road.

Coinciding with the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible also known as the Authorised Version published in 1611, the exhibition contains a number of Bibles in different languages.

Prize

Visitors will receive a free information pack and Bible and there is also an oldest Bible competition with a book token prize to the person who brings the oldest Bible during the week.

During the exhibition week there will also be two free talks, one on the Thursday (17), the anniversary day, and the other on Saturday (19) both at 7pm.

Tree planting on course

Councillor David Clifft and the club co-owner Sam Saunders tree planting at Essington Golf Course

TREE planting has started at a new golf course in Essington. Around 10,000 trees and shrubs will be added to the landscape. The first green has been completed and fairways, water hazards, bunkers and paths installed at the course off Bursnips Road. It is expected to open next year.

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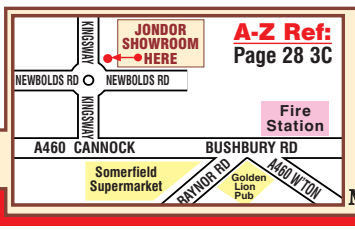

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Drive to ease traffic congestion is trialled

ATTEMPTS to relieve traffic congestion around an Essington school are being trialled. Willenhall rugby club on Bognop Road has opened its car park to parents for them to use as a drop-off and pick-up point.

The local police have worked in partnership with St John's Primary School and the rugby club to arrange the trial, with the aim of relieving traffic problems in the village around peak school times.

Local PCSO Karen Willis, said: "Hopefully this will reduce a lot of the congestion around the school and ease the traffic flow in the village. I would like to say a big thank you to the rugby club and school for their assistance."

Local county councillor Mike Lawrence, said: "This is an excellent example of working together to reach a solution that will benefit pupils, parents and the community as a whole. Road safety is a top priority for the county council and initiatives like this make a real difference."

Talks over super-head for schools

A SIX-WEEK consultation has been launched into plans to join three schools in South Staffordshire under the control of one "super-headteacher".

It is part of a shake-up in the district, which could be in place by February. A headteacher would be appointed to lead Bilbrook Middle, Perton Middle and Codsall High.

Hundreds of consultation letters were being sent out to parents across the district this week.

It comes after education bosses at the county council decided not to close Bilbrook Middle, which it had controversially planned to shut because of falling pupil numbers.

All three schools will share the same headteacher and also a governing body.

Staffordshire County Council spokeswoman Julie Waddicor said: "It's up to the schools to carry out their own consultation but the council is supporting it.

Protests

"If parents agree with the plans, the federation will be in place from February 1."

The county council announced in May that it was planning to close Bilbrook Middle School.

But plans were scrapped in July amid furious protests by parents and pupils.

It followed a six-week consultation with parents, teachers and villagers, which saw hundreds join the fight to save it.

Bilbrook Middle, which opened in 1976, has space for 351 pupils, with only 128 currently on roll.

"This is expected to continue to fall.

It is hoped the new arrangement will help drive up standards.

Lifeguards in 'Channel' challenge

TWO lifeguards swam the English Channel – without leaving Wombourne Leisure Centre.

Jake Megal, aged 17, and 20-year-old Gio Credali took 14 hours to complete the 22-mile long feat.

They each swam 1,416 lengths of the pool, raising more than £500 for charity.Wolverhampton University student Gio, from Richmond Gardens, Wombourne, said: "I felt like giving up after three miles because I hadn't done enough training.

Struggle

"It was a struggle after that but I just gritted my teeth and finished the job."

Gio is a member of Wombourne Swimming club where he specialises in sprint events.

Thomas Telford School student Jake, from Windmill Lane, Castlecroft, Wolverhampton, who also represents the club, added: "The worst part for me was at 16 miles where I had no energy left. Then I got a second wind and felt well enough to swim butterfly on the last length."

Jake Megal and Gio Credali swim for charity

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Lovely Christmas card designs but where was baby Jesus?

I enjoyed looking through the lovely Christmas card designs which the children of East Park Infants school had submitted for the competition. However, although I scanned the designs many times, I could not find one card which illustrated anything to do with the real meaning of Christmas!

Christmas is Christ's Mass – the celebration of the birth of Jesus – The Nativity. Nowhere amongst the children's pictures could I find baby Jesus! Father Christmas, presents and Christmas trees were evident in force, but no nativity scene.

Christmas cards are given by Christians to wish each other a Happy Christmas.

In schools the children learn about all religious celebrations – they illustrate and act out plays and make cards for Diwali, Hanukkah, Eade, etc, but where is Jesus and the Nativity play?

Are our Christian stories, values and celebrations being pushed aside? We are still predominantly a Christian country and want Christianity taught, valued and celebrated in our schools.

MRS GILLIAN BURTON
Retired primary teacher
School Road
Wolverhampton

No explanation offered on the MPs' Euro vote

I was at the Pensioners Convention meeting in the Civic Centre recently to meet Wolverhampton's MPs. The three MPs briefly presented their 'reasons' for voting against a referendum in the Commons debate.

Miss Reynolds said over 50 per cent of our trade was with Europe, but made no mention of our trade imbalance with them, in that they export far more to us, and need our business.

Mr McFadden said a referendum would be 'bizarre'. Mr Uppal reckoned only three per cent of the British population thought Europe was an important issue, very conveniently ignoring the figure of 70 plus per cent who want a referendum.

All three avoided taking any questions on their statements and also made no effort to respond to a number of challenges on immigration. Indeed, the underlying message from them was that they know best what's good for us and we best keep quiet and go along with it.

It seems when they want our votes there is no limit to the promises they can make, but then they have countless reasons why they can't keep these promises.

Many at the meeting would have liked to explore how the MPs think their vote in any way represented the people who voted them in last year, but no such explanation was offered.

Shades of 'Animal Farm' developing, methinks, as the EU's own arrogant and perverse idea of democracy begins to infect our own representatives?

BARRY HODGSON
Coalway Road
Penn

BRIDGE CORNER

AFTER last week's debacle, when I failed to bid a making Seven Clubs, I am pleased to report that the following hand was an absolute top for us.

Smarting a bit, I bid and made a lonely Seven No Trumps. This made my night.

When East, my partner, opened One Spade, my thoughts were Slam, but which one?

Bearing in mind that I had been lazy in my bidding on the last hand, I thought that I had better temporise with a bid of Two Diamonds, to see what partner had.

When he rebid Two Spades, things looked good. In response to a Blackwood bid of Four No Trumps, my partner showed me two aces. Even better! I then bid Five No Trumps, a very rare bid, which asks for kings. Sure enough he had the missing one and with normal distribution, I could count 13 tricks (with fingers crossed that partner held the queen, or at least the jack to finesse). For once, the gods were kind.

Well done to Dave Clarke and Mike Cornes, who won the Men's Pairs and to Alma Richards and Judy Stevenson, who won the Ladies' Pairs, at Wolverhampton Bridge Club.

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LOUISE LOOKS BACK 50 YEARS

ABOVE: Pupils of the Studio School of Dance in Oxley, Anne Pass (left) and Teresa Kilroy both received special awards from the International Dancing Masters Association, in Wolverhampton for gaining three gold bars

RIGHT: John Roberts (Wolverhampton Harriers) and Roy Mack (Birchfield) look happy after finishing fourth and second in the youths cross country race at Wolverhampton

Production at a Wolverhampton engineering firm's factory came to a complete standstill but it wasn't caused by a mass walk-out by the workers. The Turner Manufacturing Company had other trouble – mouse trouble!

The little beastie got into the main HT switch and caused a power cut throughout the factory. Works secretary, Christopher Dumbell, told the Chronicle: "There were 332 productive workers in that morning, so 332 workers were made temporarily out of work because of a mouse. I think it's really rather novel!"

Rumours circulating Wolverhampton were that the Turner Manufacturing Company had since employed a wildcat.

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Two Wolverhampton girls who started their own dancing schools were to receive gold statuettes of dancers for gaining three gold bars in succession in stage and classical dancing examinations.

The girls who gained these awards, the highest they could get as solo performers, were Teresa Kilroy of Sandon Road and Anne Tass of Bowdler Road, both members of the Studio School of Dance, at Stafford Road, Oxley, for 10 years. Principal of the school, Sheila Groom, said: "This is the most successful year we've had. Apart of Anne and Teresa, we've also got two girls who've got their second gold bars – and another two who've gained them for the first time.

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Peter Hingley, the former Wolverhampton Grammar School pupil, played in goal for Oxford University's soccer team. He was a member of Wolverhampton Harriers and a triple jumper for Staffordshire. It was quite a feat for Peter to get his Blue, for he was only a freshman at the university.

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There was an apple shortage. A local fruiterer said unless the Government decided to import more apples, the shortage would be very serious.

The crisis was the result of continuous frost which had been blighting the crops over the past months and it looked as though Christmas was going to be without its usual apple dishes.

Wolverhampton fruiterer, Mr Lewis of St John Street, said the only thing that could be done to avert this crisis was to get the Government to import large amounts of foreign apples.

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Stringent drink ruling after under age sales

A SHOP in Wolverhampton has been ordered to meet a series of stringent conditions after it was caught selling alcohol to youngsters in a sting operation using teenage volunteers.

Banga Stores in Penn Fields must overhaul its practices after being brought before the licensing committee of Wolverhampton City Council. The committee heard that owner Jagdish Lal had been caught by trading standards officers who sent a 14-year-old girl and a 16-year-old girl in to try to buy alcohol from his Lea Road store in April.

Mr Lal sold the alcohol to the youngsters and did not challenge their ages.

At the time there were only two small notices about age-restricted products on display and staff were not keeping a log of any refusals.

Mr Lal told the committee it was the first time he had been in trouble in eight years of running the business, which also employs his wife and son, after he was given a caution for the offence in August.

Councillors demanded he properly train his staff, carrying out refresher training, and that he challenge anyone who looks under 25 to prove they are over 18 when buying alcohol.

He must also keep a refusals log, keep CCTV recordings and have a notice to prompt staff to check for identification and proof of age at the till. Mr Lal told the committee: "I've been in business for eight years and never had this problem before.

"We thought we had been doing the right thing from the beginning. I am so sorry that it has happened and I will make sure it doesn't happen again."

Refused

Paul Dosanjh, from the council's trading standards department, said: "There is nothing to suggest this is a regular occurrence and on subsequent tests our volunteers have been refused the alcohol.

"It came about from one complaint about shops in general in the area, and we test purchased at the others as well. They have let themselves down but we felt that this was the best way forward, putting conditions on the licence."

Relative nets souvenir – 54 years on

A RELATIVE of Black Country football legend Duncan Edwards has snapped up a football programme from a 1957 game between Wolves and Manchester United – the last time he ever saw him alive.

Laurence Brownhill was at the game but because he was related to the star he went straight through the players' entrance and left without a souvenir.

But more than half a century on, Mr Brownhill, a retired curator at Stourbridge Town Hall and Mr Duncan's second cousin,has put things right.

Talked

For £32 he snapped up a programme of the Wolves v Manchester United match at Molineux on September 28, 1957.

"It was the last time I saw Duncan alive and talked to him," the 68-year-old of Dudley Wood, recalled sadly, after his successful bid at Cuttlestones' auction in Wolverhampton.

"I remember shaking his hand. This is only a little programme but it's well worth having."

Laurence Brownhill with a Wolverhampton Wanderers v Manchester United programme from 1957

Classic clocks on at theatre

A CULT classic is to be brought to the stage in Wolverhampton.

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The Penn cinema on the Warstones Road –serving residents of the area

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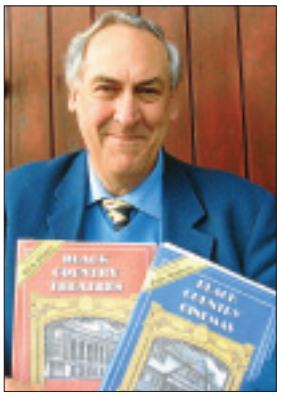
The Savoy cinema, later the ABC, and more recently Oceana nightclub

Flicking through the past of the region's lost cinemas



Ned Williams with copies of his books on Black Country cinemas and theatres

MEMORY LANE

by Alec Brew

FIFTY years ago, going to the cinema was often called going to the flicks, and we were spoiled for choice in Wolverhampton.

In the centre of the town there were the Savoy and the Clifton facing one another across Bilston Street, the Gaumont, just round the corner, the Odeon in Skinner Street, the Scala in Worcester Street and the Olympia in Thornley Street.

The truth was cinema-goers did not even have to go to the centre of town to enjoy a film – many suburbs had their own cinema, like the Dunstall on the Stafford Road, the Penn Cinema, the Coliseum on Dudley Road, the Regal in Wednesfield and the Strand in Whitmore Reans.

Silent films were first shown in Wolverhampton around 1909, in the Drill Hall in Stafford Street and the Agricultural Hall on Snow Hill, where the Gaumont was later built.

The Pavilion Music Hall in Castle Street was also licensed to show films at around the same time.

The first dedicated cinemas opened the following year – the Electric in Queen Square and the Olympia in Thornley Street. The Queen's in Queen Square, the Strand in Horseley Fields and the Coliseum on Dudley Road all followed before the First World War.

The great age of cinema opening followed the introduction of the 'talkies' in the early 30s.

Newsreel

The Clifton was converted from a music hall in 1931, the huge Gaumont opened in 1932 and within five years, the Savoy and the Odeon also followed.

For the next three decades people flocked to the cinema in huge numbers, enjoying a bill which would normally include two films, the main feature and a 'B' film, as well as a newsreel.

The crowing cockerel of Pathe News was the only way people could see for themselves what was going on in the world – the only place they could see politicians and sporting heroes speak.

Then television began to erode demand as people could be entertained in their own home. Cinema fought back with colour, wide-screen productions and stereo, but their decline continued.

One by one the town's cinemas were closed, or converted into bingo halls. The last to close was the ABC, which had been called the Savoy, closing its doors for the last time in 1991.

Suddenly the Lighthouse Cinema which had opened as a small specialist arthouse cinema, was now the only place left to see films in Wolverhampton.

The Lighthouse bravely kept the flag of cinema-lovers going, for arthouse and mainstream films alike, until the new Cineworld multi-screen complex opened at Bentley Bridge, and those wishing to 'go to the flicks' were once more spoiled for choice.

● **On Tuesday November 15, Ned Williams will be signing copies of his two new books Black Country Cinemas and Black Country Theatres, at the Lighthouse Cinema from 6pm.**

The Odeon in Skinner Street, Wolverhampton, with its neon-lit tower typical of the Oscar Deutsch cinemas of the 1930s

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Speed cameras to go digital

SPEED cameras in the West Midlands will be replaced with digital ones in a £1.2 million project so that running out of film is no longer a problem.

Also, images will be processed instantly. The money would cover upgrades for around 34 cameras on the region's most dangerous roads. They are likely to include three in Wolverhampton, but exact locations are kept secret to prevent vandalism.

Reports reveal the old wet film cameras have just two years of operational life left. Unlike conventional Gatso speed cameras, which run out of film after 200 shots, new cameras will be able to process every speeding driver.

A meeting in Wolverhampton of the region's transport chiefs saw councillors also discussing fitting cameras with wireless telecommunications so that pictures could be transmitted to the police instantly, rather than being collected. The replacement with digital would happen around 2014 as long as funding can be secured.

It comes as councillors have been warned that West Midlands Police has a £380,000 black hole in the budget next year for the 304 existing cameras.

Earlier this year they scrapped £750,000 to fund them, leaving the police to foot the £1m total cost alone.

Sandwell councillor Ian Jones said: "While I support speed cameras, the council taxpayer can't be asked to bear the burden of cuts which central government has imposed on the districts."

West Midlands Police has to make £126m of cuts over four years and is axing more than 2,000 jobs. Out of 304 cameras, 86 are already dummy housings. And a further 128 in areas deemed a low risk for accidents are no longer being "actively deployed".

There are 57 sites in the West Midlands where cameras are switched on for eight days a month. The 34 that are on all the time are designated "red" sites. Staffordshire Police is not using 130 out of 263 cameras following cutbacks.

Promise of new jobs at metal firm

A LEADING metal company in Bilston is investing £2 million in the creation of a new production line to boost trade and create jobs.

Mueller Europe announced work had already begun on the new line at its site, in Oxford Street, and it was set to be up and running by next spring. It will replace one destroyed by a fire which tore through parts of the factory in November 2008.

Bosses from the firm, formerly Wednesbury Tube, said the scheme would create a "handful" of new jobs for the area but the exact number had not been finalised. The firm presently employs 125 people.

Plans have also been announced to resurrect the Wednesbury brand name for copper tubes created by the new production line. The decision was made after professional heating engineers and plumbers regularly identified the Wednesbury name as one of the leading names for copper tubes produced in the UK.

The name was introduced in the 1950s but replaced in 1998 with the Mueller Streamline brand.

Special assembly for anniversary

A NURSERY nurse teacher was given a surprise by pupils to mark 25 years at Warstones Primary School, Penn.

Karen Wilcox was treated to a special assembly last week.

Her husband Ian Wilcox made a special visit to the school, here pupils presented her with flowers and a bottle of Champagne. The 43-year-old is to be honoured at a long service awards ceremony by Wolverhampton City Council.

Surprise

Mrs Wilcox said: "It was a lovely and I was really touched. The assembly was a massive surprise.

"Staying here 25 years just sort of happened, and I never really felt the need to go anywhere else.

"A lot of the parents came to the school, and it's nice to see them come back. The children make it a lovely place to work, and I have no plans to leave at all," she added.

Celebrating – Karen Wilcox with, clockwise from left, Amber Darlington, Ross Turner, Joshua Bailey and Summer Rae

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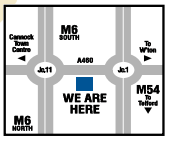

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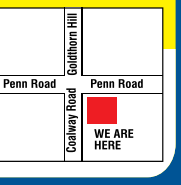

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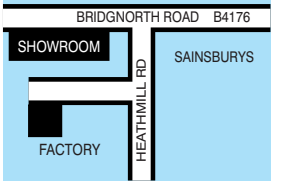

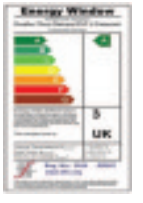

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Wolves player gets suspended sentence

Jamie Reckord

A WOLVES footballer with a "great future" in the game, who broke the jaw of a life-long friend in an unprovoked attack, has been spared custody.

Jamie Reckord jumped from his car and "rained" up to 10 blows on Jason Preece in front of the victim's screaming partner and two crying children, Wolverhampton Crown Court.

The 19-year-old left back, who represented England at under 16 and 17 level, then threw the bike Mr Preece had been pushing into the road and sped off. Prosecutor Richard Dewsbury said: "Reckord had pulled up alongside the man, who was walking with his partner and children, one of whom was three and the other was a baby.

"Reckord ran across the road shouting something and sought a confrontation which quickly escalated into violence in a completely unprovoked manner.

"The victim did nothing to retaliate and fell to the floor.

"His partner was shouting for the violence to stop and the children were crying."

The footballer went to police the next day after "contact" was made with Wolves.

The victim suffered an "undisplaced" fracture of the jaw in the attack, in broad daylight in Ryefield, Pendeford, on March 13.

Reckord, of Coatsgate Walk, Pendeford, admitted assault.

Contract

Mr Dewsbury added: "Rather nobley Mr Preece has since shaken hands with his attacker and said he does not want to see his career destroyed by happened."

Mr Jasvir Mann, defending, said: "In the past the two of them have got on but there have been difficulties which caused the problem."

Contract talks with Wolves, who Reckord has played for since he was eight, had been put on hold pending the outcome of the case, the court heard.

Recorder Stuart Sprawson sentenced him to eight months custody, suspended for two years.

Reckord was also ordered to carry out 150 hours unpaid work, to pay £1,200 compensation to Mr Preece and £500 costs.

Andrea reflects on business success

SHE set up the company from the comfort of her own home in South Staffordshire.

Now, three years on, Andrea Miles is shipping out the mirrors she manufactures at Four Ashes near Wolverhampton to gyms, schools and leisure centres all over the world.

Her portable mirrors are being used by Russell Grant on the current series of Strictly Come Dancing as well as by contestants auditioning for next year's Britain's Got Talent.

Ms Miles, who lives in Coven and owns Mirrors For Training, said: "I never thought the business would grow so much when I first set it up."

Training

The 37-year-old decided to start up a mirror-supplying business on the internet after giving birth to her son Harrison, who is now seven.

"I always had an interest in horses and knew mirrors for dressage training was a big thing. I just thought I could do it until my son started school and then go back to work," she said. "This little hobby has turned into my full-time occupation. The mirrors are very versatile."

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Andrea Miles, who started her company from her home and now ships worldwide

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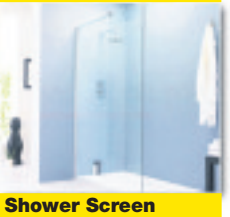
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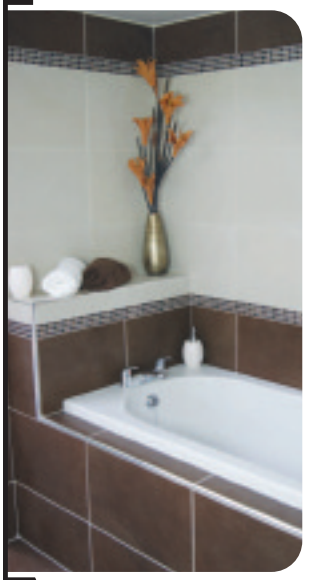

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Rousing start to festive countdown

Tattoo features 1,000 of best military musicians

IT'S sure to be a rousing start to the festive period. The Tattoo will feature 1,000 of the best military musicians and performers from across Europe and the UK.

And we've teamed up with the people at Birmingham's NIA to offer nine readers the chance to win a pair of tickets to the Birmingham International Christmas Tattoo being held in December.

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Gymnastic

Joining them will be the Band of the Liberation army from The Netherlands and the cream of British youth with the National Youth Marching Band.

The Tattoo is due to be held at the NIA on Saturday, December 10 at 6pm and Sunday, December 11 at 2pm and you can win tickets for the Saturday evening performance.

On top of all the musical mastery, there will be a dazzling gymnastic display from the Blue Falcons Gymnastic Display Team. The Inter-Service Field Gun Competition will bring their heavy guns to the arena along with the massed standard bearers from the Royal British Legion and there will be a dog display.

Finale

The performance will end with a spectacular festive finale featuring all the 1,000 performers.

Tickets are on sale now, priced at £22.50, £20, 18.50, £16.50 and £14.50 plus booking and transaction fees and are available online at www.theticketfactory.com or by calling 0844 338 8000.

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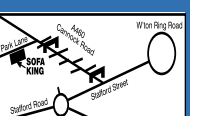

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Rat-run fears over island replacement

PLANS to replace a roundabout on a busy Wolverhampton road in preparation for the creation of a new Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) engine plant will create a rat-run, say residents.

People living in and near to Bee Lane in Fordhouses are angry that the plans for the £3 million project to replace the Vine Island on the A449 Stafford Road will stop drivers turning right out of the road.

Instead they will be forced to take a 1.5-mile round trip by turning left out of their road and travelling up to the Three Tuns island.

Work to move the Vine Island and widen the road is expected to start in July and take up to 14 months.

Wolverhampton City Council said the work was needed to cope with extra traffic expected as a result of 755 jobs being created at the 80,000 sq ft engine plant on the i54 business park.

The council is also sharing the £36.7m cost to create a slip road from the M54 with Staffordshire County Council.

Colin Newman, a 64-year-old former hospital porter of Milldale Road, visited a consultation at Low Hill Community Centre and said the road project on the A449 would create a "rat run".

"It's an absolute disaster", he said. "Drivers will just be pushed through the rest of the estate."

Ken Harding, aged 71, of Mill Green, said: "People aren't going to turn left out of Bee Lane to come all the way back."

Meanwhile plans for the new Vine Island have gone on show to residents.

Council bosses had originally wanted to revamp the island by spending £11m to rip it out and replace it with traffic lights but had to settle for just moving the roundabout and changing the layout of lanes due to a shortage of funding.

Highways boss David Orton said: "The council will make every effort to keep traffic flowing as efficiently as possible during the work."

Three cheers for award winners

CHEERLEADERS from a Wolverhampton dance school are celebrating after landing a series of awards at a regional competition.

Seven teams of girls from the Sharon Ann Dance School took first place in all age categories at the Future Cheer UK contest in Bolton.

The girls, aged between five and 22, competed against 60 other teams to land top spot in each of their age groups. And there was extra success for three of them who collected grand champion trophies for achieving the highest ever score.

Sharon Fowler, head coach for the cheerleaders and dance school founder, said: "It makes me immensely proud because each of the girls has worked so hard."

The girls spent two months preparing routines for the competition which was held at the Bolton Arena on Sunday.

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Cheerleaders from Sharon Ann Dance School, Wolverhampton, celebrate their Future Cheer UK awards

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Campaigners join MP Pat McFadden and Lord Bilston to call for Bilston not to be divided by a review of parliamentary constituencies

Protest over change plan for boundary

DOZENS of people are protesting against plans to "scatter Bilston to the four winds" under controversial moves to change parliamentary constituencies.

The independent Boundary Commission has redrawn the country's political map to satisfy the Government's aim to cut the number of MPs from 650 to 600.

But the move would wipe out the Wolverhampton South East constituency of Labour's Pat McFadden and will result in Bilston being split between four different MPs.

There are fears the town will be left without a political voice and will lose its sense of identity and more than 1,000 years of history.

A petition of 2,000 names was handed in to Craig Howell Williams QC, who was hearing evidence from West Midland residents about how the review will affect them.

A coachload of people left Bilston last week to go to the review at Birmingham's Copthorne Hotel. Ann Nightingale, who was awarded an MBE last year for her services to Bilston, said the town should not be "cut up like a cake".

"There will be no more history," she said. "Our identity will disappear."

Lord Dennis Turner of Bilston, formerly the Wolverhampton South East MP, said: "Bilston East, Bilston North and Ettingshall are historic and cultural communities that truly depict Bilston, its past and present, and we all fervently hope, its future."

Evidence

The campaigners have called for a different constituency change that would keep Wolverhampton South East as it is with the addition of Darlaston South.

That change, Mr McFadden said, would pass the threshold the commission is seeking for a minimum of 72,000 electors. The constituency currently has around 61,000 voters.

Mr Howell Williams will collect evidence until December 5 but it will be next autumn before the commission reveals the final version of the electoral map for the 2015 election.

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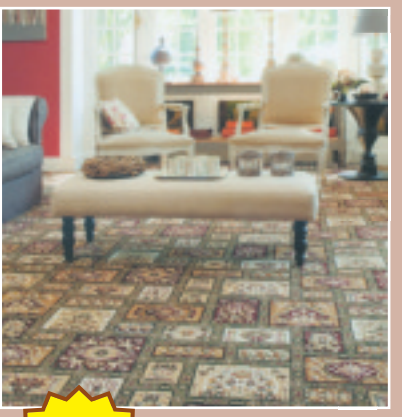

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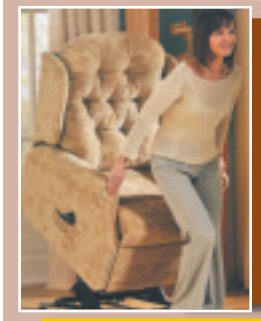

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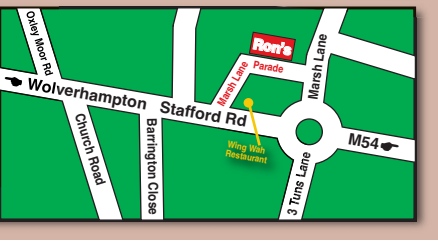

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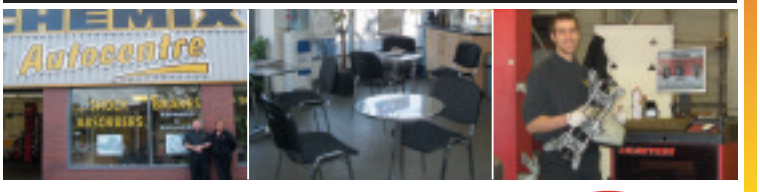

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Pensions firm bosses in £5m tax fraud quiz

THREE directors of a Wolverhampton pensions company have been charged in connection with a £5 million tax fraud.

Andrew Meeson, aged 50, of George Street, Wolverhampton was charged with conspiring to cheat HM Revenue & Customs at Birmingham Magistrates Court last week.

Also accused was Peter Bradley, aged 44, of The Forge, Springhill Lane, Lower Penn, and Alison Bradley, 46, of the same address.

All three were bosses at Tudor Capital Management Ltd, a pensions administration company, which has its registered offices in George Street, Wolverhampton.

Meeson, who was until last week the former president of the Association of Taxation Technicians, was a director of the company along with the Bradleys. Another man, Steven Price, aged 45, of Mappleborough Green, Studley, Warwickshire, also faces the same charge.

All four were involved in administering a pension scheme. They were arrested last year in dawn raids carried out by HMRC.

The raids took place at residential and business premises in the West Midlands, Derby and Leicester.

The offence is believed to have specifically targeted the pensions industry.

Following the probe by HMRC last year, The Pensions Regulator took action to suspend Tudor Capital Management Ltd from acting as trustees for pension trust schemes.

Andrew Meeson has previously worked for the Inland Revenue, PriceWaterhouseCoopers and the Clerical Medical Investment Group.

Stolen

He was appointed to the Association of Taxation Technicians in 2007, and became president in July this year.

Simon De Kayne, assistant director of criminal investigation for HM Revenue & Customs, said: "Four people have been charged linked to what we believe is a fraud resulting in more than £5 million being stolen from public funds.

"We are committed to bringing such cases to the courts and depriving those involved of the proceeds of their crime."

All four defendants have been bailed until November 9 to appear at Birmingham Crown Court.

Second sports stall opens at market

John Richards, left, and David Meads in the new football memorabilia stall

FOOTBALL-mad market stall-holder David Meads scored such a hit with his shop paying homage to the game's rich history that he has expanded his collection.

The 57-year-old has launched a second Sporting Pastimes stall at Wolverhampton Retail Market in Salop Street.

It is decorated with an artificial turf floor and goalpost and features treasures such as a bust of Steve Bull, signed picture of John Richards and a framed Wolves shirt. As well as Wolves memorabilia, the new shop is packed with items from the game's greats including a Brazil shirt signed by Pele and boots worn by Wayne Rooney.

David, from Penn, said: "Wolverhampton is a treasure trove of memorabilia, and people just bring it to me."

The Wolves season ticket holder stocked the first shop with items from his own personal collection, assembled over 30 years. Among the finds that were on offer was a programme from the 1949 FA Cup Final in which Wolves beat Leicester 3-1 at Wembley.

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Homes plan for site of ex-depot

NINETY-SEVEN houses will be built on the site of a former council depot in Wolverhampton.

Developer Bellway wants to build a mix of two, three and four bedroom houses on land at Gatis Street in Whitmore Reans.

The site was previously the Victoria pub, a former skills centre and Wolverhampton City Council depot but the buildings have recently been demolished.

Councillors on the planning committee are being advised to accept the scheme.

Planning officer Richard Pitt said: "The proposal would represent a significant investment in the city and create a considerable number of jobs during construction."

Objections

Council chiefs are also set to waive the usual demands they would make of the developers in order to help them get the project off the ground despite the economic downturn.

But 21 people have registered objections to the proposals. Residents in nearby Craddock Street have said the proposals will increase traffic problems.

And Phillip Platt, aged 71, of Gatis Street, said the area needed more schools and medical centres before new houses were built.

He said: "We also need more industry."

Space shortage sees burial fees increase

BURIAL fees in the Black Country and Staffordshire are increasing as councils battle to save costs and cemetery spaces become more limited.

The most expensive place to have a grave dug in the region is in Walsall where prices have risen by £137 since 2007 – with the cost of an adult burial now £863 compared with £726 previously.

In Wolverhampton, people pay £800 to have an adult grave dug, compared with £710 in 2007-08. The biggest rise was in Stafford, where costs soared by £290 from £464 to £754.

In Sandwell an adult grave costs £666 compared with £611 in 2007.

The cheapest grave plots are in Dudley where prices have risen by £155 from £450 to £605. The rise in costs has been criticised by Councillor Ray Nock, leader of Sandwell's opposition Tory group.

He said: "I am sure there are other avenues councils could explore when cost cutting, before hitting people at these sad times."

However, councils have defended the increase, saying that much of the money is being re-invested to improve their cemeteries.

Walsall councillor Anthony Harris, who has responsibility for bereavement services, said fees were reviewed annually and added that any increases took into account the latest Retail Prices Index inflation rate.

"Annually we spend around £100,000 on safety repairs to memorials within our cemeteries and have extended several of them with additional burial areas in recent financial years to ensure they meet the needs of the borough's residents, both now and in the future," he said.

Space

The council is considering a three per cent price increase in its charges next year to £889.

Wolverhampton City Council spokesman Tim Clark said the authority had increased some fees in order to help pay for work to extend Bushbury Cemetery. The site is being extended by around 15 acres because only three of Wolverhampton's seven municipal cemeteries – Danescourt, Beacon Hill and Hall Green – have space for new graves.

Sandwell's deputy leader Mahboob Hussain said: "We are very much aware of the distress that relatives go through at the time of the loss of a loved one. That is why burial costs have been kept as low as possible.

"Last year, for example, the rise was £16. This is at a time when the council is having to make £30 million cuts in its budget due to government restrictions in funding.

"Despite that, we are currently continuing to improve and investing in all of our cemeteries."

Festive funds on the cards

Lilian Byrne setting up the Cards for Good Causes shop in Wolverhampton

AN ANNUAL festive fundraiser which supports 25 charities has been launched in Wolverhampton.

Cards For Good Causes at St Peter's House coffee shop, Wolverhampton, sells boxes of Christmas cards with at least 75p from every £1 going directly to charity.

The shop, which is staffed by 11 volunteers, is running the yuletide ranges until December 14. It supports causes including Compton Hospice, the Alzheimer's Society and Save the Children.

Lilian Byrne said this year's slogan was 'Shoppers can buy once but give twice', both to the recipient of the card and to charity.

She said the cards were on sale for six weeks. "The charities send us their cards and we sell them on," she added.

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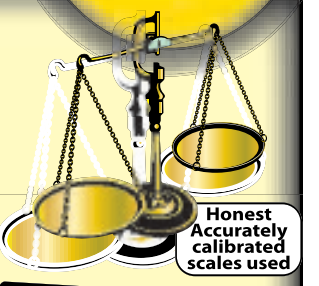

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How Robin tunes in to what music fans want

SETH LAKEMAN – widely regarded as the UK's foremost folk singer songwriter, has announced a short run of UK tour dates in December and will be at The Robin on Tuesday, December 13

A POPULAR music club in Bilston has bounced back after suffering during the economic crisis.

The Robin 2, Mount Pleasant, had been suffering from low attendances and a lack of gigs as the economic crisis hit the music industry hard. But thanks to a lot of hard work, the club is now officially on the way up.

After winning the Best Venue Teamwork Club with a capacity below 800 award at the Live UK Music Business Awards, the venue is rocking once again.

Mike Hamblett, owner of The Robin 2, said: "We've worked really hard at getting through the hard times. I've personally looked into every aspect and how we can improve; I think being proactive makes a hell of a lot of difference."

Specialist

Since winning the award, the club has been offered gigs they wouldn't normally book and they have also tapped into specialist genres of music.

Mike added: "The specialist shows have been doing really well. The bands we get in are international but they play a kind of music that is a narrow market so we get people travelling to us too."

The club's new programme is released in two weeks and shows the listing up to August next year, and there are lots of new acts and big names, as well as the usual tribute acts.

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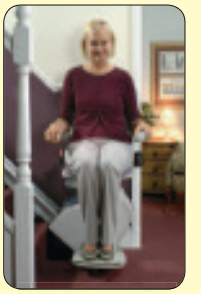

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Man is jailed for pulling a knife

A CAREER criminal with 104 previous offences has been jailed for 16 months after pulling a knife on a member of staff in a Wolverhampton shop.

Steven Telfer was caught stealing beer from Tettenhall Supermarket in Clark Road when he turned violent, the city's crown court heard. Worker Abinash Multani was watching the CCTV when he saw the 35-year-old trying to hide a can down his trousers.

Prosecutor Mr David Lees said: "When he went to speak to him there was a bit of a scuffle during which the defendant pulled out a Stanley knife."

Telfer fled after the confrontation on September 16 last year but was seen again in the store on June 16 this year, the court was told.

Mr Lees continued: "He was recognised by staff and by coincidence a police office on duty had popped into the shop at the same time.

"He was told the background of what had happened before and arrested Telfer who told him: 'This is going to look really bad because I have got a Stanley knife on me now.' It was found when he was searched."

Telfer admitted two offences of possessing an offensive weapon and one of theft.

Aid is spot on

A CHARITY dominoes event is to be held on November 29 at the Goodyear Pavilion in Stafford Street at 7.30pm.

Proceeds will go to city-based Compton Hospice. Entry is free. Call 07748 327520 or 01902 396666.

Father figure – Jim Jarvis, who is still working at JT Jarvis, in Cleveland Street, Wolverhampton, at the grand old age of 90, chats with son John at the counter

Work still a pleasure at 90

MANY people would be content to take life slowly after celebrating their 90th birthday.

But Wolverhampton's Jim Jarvis is still working hard at the electrical contractors and electricians that he founded almost 65 years ago.

The Parkfields-born businessman opened JT Jarvis & Son, now based in Cleveland Street, in the early 1950s, and he is still casting a careful eye over the shop's accounts three days a week – despite turning 90 at the weekend.

Jim's first job after leaving Wolverhampton Art Collge was as an engraver for Commercial Illustrations in Tempest Street. But when the firm closed at the start of the Second World War, he began training, and after taking a job at Deritend he decided to go into business for himself. The Manor Road School pupil originally started the company from his Goldthorn Park home with £200 in reserve, a bike and one member of staff.

"It started with me working on my own until a mate of mine, who was working at Ever Ready, agreed to help out. Then one joined after another until, in the 70s and 80s, we had 27 people working for us," he said.

Helped

It was while he has doing all this that he met his wife Olive, who helped run the family enterprise until her death aged 65. The father of one added: "I can't not work."

Three generations of the family have worked in the business, with Jim's father Jack working there after he retired in 1957. His son John, 56, is now the managing director.

Jim pictured here in the 1960s with his wife Olive and a group of workers

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Benefits fraud man had £139k savings

A FRAUDSTER from Moxley who pocketed thousands of pounds in benefits despite having £139,000 in savings and plans to invest in the Dubai property market has avoided jail.

Phillip Clarke illegally collected £18,345 income support over two-and-a-half years before the scam was discovered.

Miss Laura Culley, prosecuting, told Wolverhampton Crown Court last week: "He was found to have something in the region of £139,000 and admitted that this was from the sale of a property. He had tried to invest in property in Dubai but there was a problem.

"He also owns a house in this country," she added.

Mr Chris O'Gorman, defending, said Clarke had invested £90,000 in Dubai but was now left with £4,000 in a savings account.

He told the court: "The investment came to nothing because the property was not completed. Steps are now being taken to seek authority in Dubai to return the money. Action is being taken through solicitors. He is now living in the house that he owns."

Clarke, who had previous convictions for offences including dishonesty, pleaded guilty to making a false statement to obtain benefit and failing to disclose information about his capital.

The fiddle started with his initial application for income support benefit in April 2008 and he continued to illegally pick up the money until his fraudulent claims were discovered on September 3 last year.

Warned

The 43-year-old, of Horace Partridge Road, was given a six-month jail sentence, suspended for two years, and ordered to carry out 150 hours of unpaid work.

Judge John Wait told him: "When you dishonestly made your claim you were stealing from the rest of us – those who honestly pay their taxes to provide benefits for those who do not have the means.

You do have the means and greedily decided to have more."

The judge warned that Clarke now faced the prospect of remortgaging or selling his current home to pay back the money he took.

Proceeds of Crime proceedings are likely to be held in the new year.

Curtain up – for the 50th time

DEDICATED actress Nadia Foster is to take to the stage for the 50th time with the same Wolverhampton amateur dramatic group.

The 47-year-old English teacher first took to the stage with the St Gregory Drama Group at the age of two, and has been appearing in its bi-annual productions ever since.

Miss Foster said: "We have only missed one year in the 26 since I have been a member of the company.

Celebration

"It is quite a landmark, and we will probably have a small celebration afterwards but at the moment we are all concentrating on rehearsals."

Miss Foster plays Lorraine in the production of Peter Gordon's The Reunion, a comedy set around four men meeting each other for the first time in 20 years.

The play is being staged at St Patrick's Church hall in Wednesfield Road tonight (Thurs) tomorrow and Saturday at 7.30pm nightly.

Tickets cost £4 and are available on the door or by phoning 01902 733261.

Appearing in The Reunion are (front left) Joe Dudley and Wayne Harrison with Ella Rhodes, John Jackaman, Nadia Foster, Gavin Wheatley and Julie Kendrick

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Faulty TV box link to key fob failure

THE mystery of misfiring car key fobs in a Midland suburb may have been solved – with a faulty TV box thought to be the source of the puzzling defect that has dumbfounded dozens of drivers.

People in the Penn area of Wolverhampton were clueless as to what was causing their key fobs to regularly fail, only to work perfectly as soon as they left the area.

Communications industry watchdog Ofcom has been investigating after encountering similar problems in other parts of the country.

Interference from a TV box that transmits a signal to other sets in the home is thought to be disrupting the key fobs.

Inspectors will now try to trace and cut off the rogue box.

Changed

Spokesman Rhys Hurd said: "We have got a team of engineers whose responsibility it is to track down interference.

"Over the past 12 months we have responded to 140 of these cases and a lot of them relate to TV senders, which mean people who have Sky installed in their living room can also watch it upstairs.

"Sometimes they malfunction, causing this fault."

Mount Road resident Lisa Evans has been having trouble with her Honda CRV while partner Anthony Williams' Peugeot van has also been affected.

She said: "It looks like the mystery of the fob has been solved.

"Nobody would have anticipated this was the cause.

"To think a Sky box can do that is remarkable. I might have taken my car into the garage and ended up paying for the locks to be changed."

Miss Evans' neighbour Darren Cowan reported the fault with his Nissan X-Trail. The self-employed gardener, aged 45, said: "It makes sense it could be a TV box as I've noticed the key fob usually works during the day, when people are at work, but fails in the mornings and evenings."

And Mac Grundy, who runs garage Hi-Q in Chapel Ash, said: "It doesn't have to be anything powerful.

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Ilana Clark, health and science specialist at Cornerstone which handles phone mast applications for mobile phone firms Vodafone and O2, said it was "highly unlikely" the problem was due to interference from that source.

Mount Road in Penn, Wolverhampton, which is a blackspot for key fobs

Darren Cowan with his key fob which only works in the day

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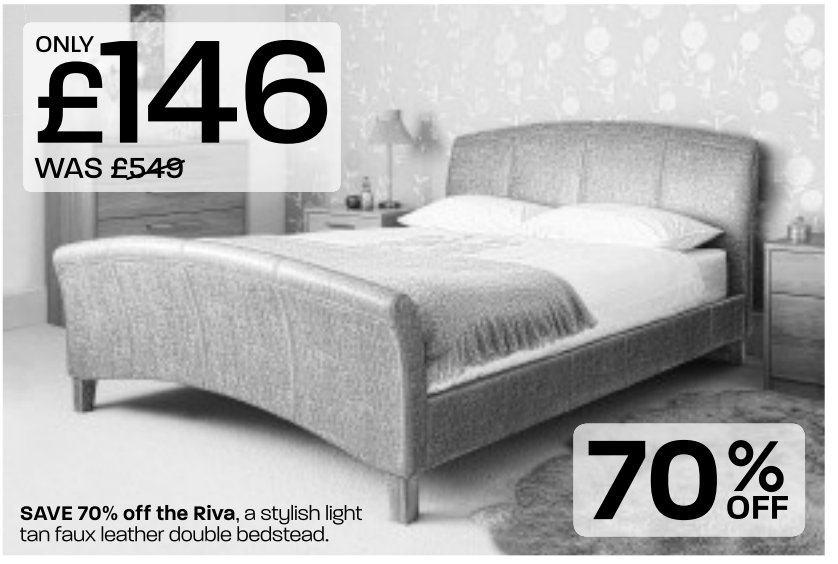

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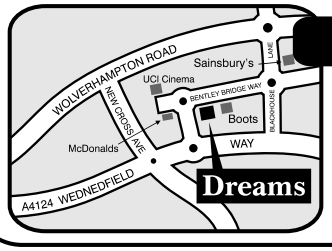

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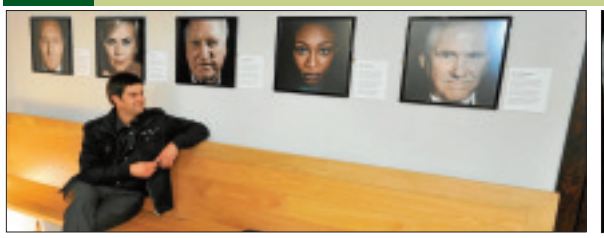

Exhibition – Express & Star photographer Gavin Dickson with his portraits

Sir Jack Hayward

Putting focus on city's famous five

AN exhibition of Wolverhampton's famous sons and daughters captured on camera by the Express & Star's chief photographer has gone on display at the city's art gallery.

The portraits, taken against a bold black background by Gavin Dickson, commemorate the foundation of a roll of honour of famous city residents.

Multiple MOBO award winner Beverley Knight, George Medal recipient Lisa Potts, former Wolves owner Sir Jack Hayward, Wolverhampton University deputy vice chancellor Sir Geoff Hampton and champion cyclist Hugh Porter were the first names to be added to that prestigious list when they were honoured at a glittering ceremony earlier this month.

The list was drawn up to mark Wolverhampton's 10th anniversary as a City.

Gavin was commissioned by Wolverhampton Art Gallery, in Lichfield Street, to produce a simple portrait of each to mark the occasion.

He said he hoped he had "captured the spirit of the first five famous sons and daughters of Wolverhampton".

Hugh Porter

The pictures were taken at Molineux ahead of the awards ceremony at the stadium on October 13.

Mr Dickson, who has already exhibited work at Wolverhampton Art Gallery in 2009 with Faces of Wolverhampton, added: "I was very pleased to be selected to take these portrait pictures of the first five famous sons and daughters of Wolverhampton.

In my job, I have taken several photographs of all five but this was a unique chance to commemorate their contribution to the city."

The exhibition runs until December 31.

Heroine Lisa Potts

Sir Geoff Hampton

Singer Beverley Knight

Fitness help for disabled

PLACES are now available at a fitness club in Wolverhampton which caters for people with disabilities. Free sessions take place every Tuesday at Blakenhall Community and Healthy Living Centre.

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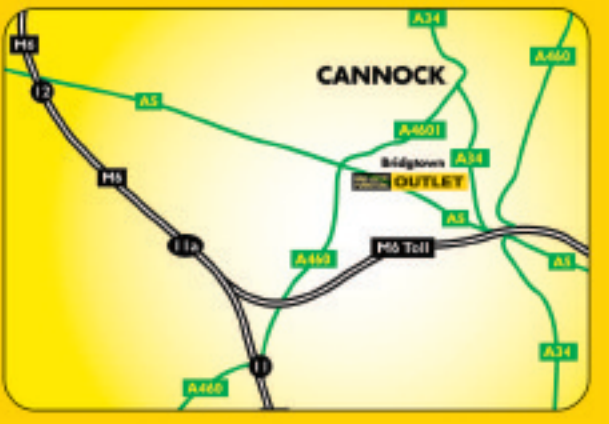

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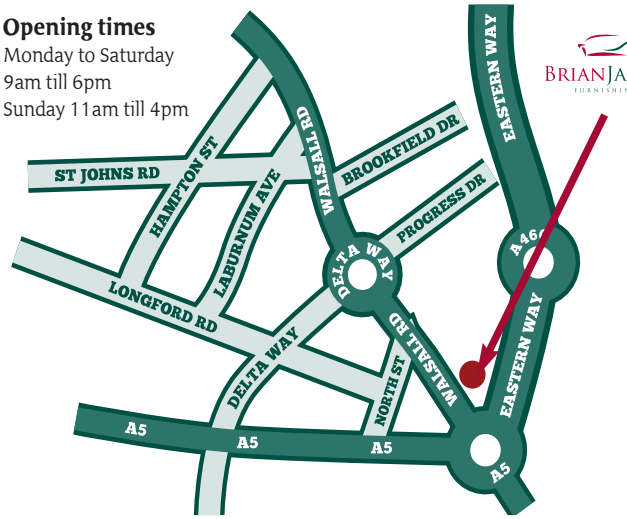

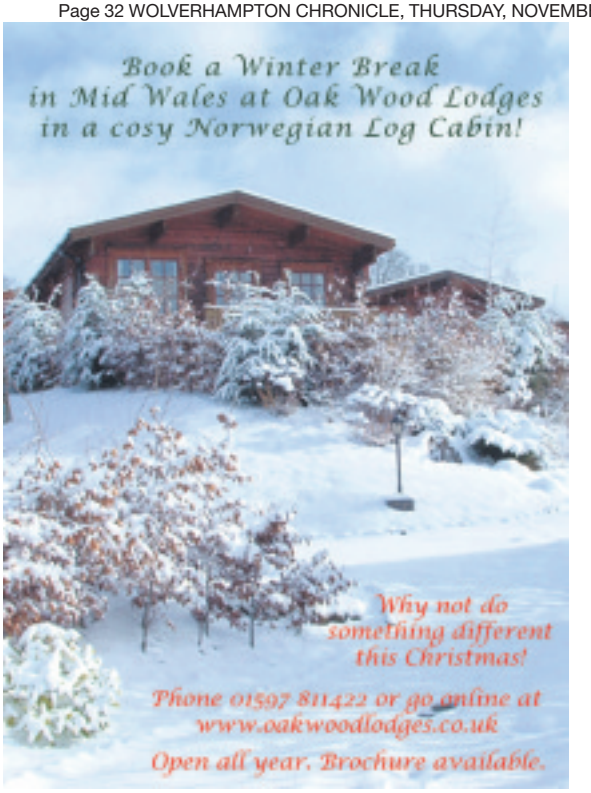

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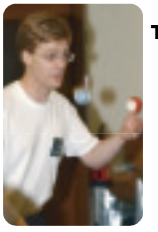

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They were followed, much to the delight of the audience, by characters from Cars who emerged blinking into the spotlight. Quite how the full-size machines are controlled remained a mystery but Lightning McQueen, Mater and their chums proved a roaring success.

The highlight of the night however rode into town in the guise of Woody, Buzz Lightyear and the loveable characters from Toy Story 3. And performing a surprise star turn were Barbie and Ken, complete with plastic hair, who gave us a wonderfully humourous, high-speed fashion show.

The skating throughout is dazzling, and apparently effortless, and the special effects add to the tales without overshadowing their charms. Overall the result is nothing less than we've come to expect, enchanting and entertaining, with a sprinkling of that Disney magic.

SARAH MORAN

Sarah Millican, Symphony Hall, Birmingham

Sarah Millican has become one of the country's best and most popular comics and from her opening gambit entertained the sold-out Symphony Hall crowd on her Thoroughly Modern Millican tour.

"Thanks for applauding when my name was called," the South Shields lass told the audience. "That doesn't happen when I go to the doctors."

From then the scene was set as she interacted with the audience and talked about the likes of relationships and her weight, offering tips on how to enjoy breakfast in bed when you're single – take chocolate with you – and what to use as a substitute when there's no loo roll left.

The highlight, particularly for one teenage fan who joined her on stage was Sarah trying something she was never allowed to do as a child, eating space dust.

And, would you know if you are a bumper car or a dodgem? Badges were given out accordingly at the end of the show. If you want to know - and if you can wait that long - Sarah is back at the Symphony Hall in April, and in Wolverhampton on February 3.

MARK SHIPP

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Just think dance group Diversity and a circus joining forces and you will get an idea what ID is like.

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The scene is set in the heart of a city and tells the story of urban life, gang culture and unrequited love. The scenery and multi media effects are quite stunning and a brilliant backdrops to the amazing feats of juggling, acrobatics and dance moves.

The girl contortionist brought gasps – and I think turned a few stomachs – with her incredible ability to bend into any shape. Very entertaining and the cast of 13 really work as a team as much for each other as for the audience. There were a couple of slips ups with the juggling balls and the skipping rope getting tangled but no-one seemed to mind.

Very different and worth seeing although the constant rock, electronic ... music can got slightly irritating after two hours.

SUE ATTWATER

UK Subs/Anti Nowhere League/Motorhead Civic, Wolverhampton

A packed Civic Hall paid tribute to a legend as Lemmy brought Motorhead and their punk rock support to the city for a night of high volume rock.

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The UK Subs were among the first wave of punks bands back in 1976 and founder Charlie Harper is still belting out the vocals for their loyal fans, while the Anti Nowhere League were later arrivals but still have their own dedicated following.

But there was no doubting who most people had come to see, as Lemmy Kilmister took to the stage with his silver cowboy boots, US Cavalry hat and Rickenbacker bass. With Mikkey Dee pounding on the drumkit and Phil Campbell on screaming guitar, the stage was set for the mix of material from the latest album, The World Is Yours, and classic tracks like Killed By Death, all churned out at maximum volume.

The climax came with the encore: Motorhead's biggest chart hit, Ace Of Spades, and audience favourite Overkill.

There are few surprises at a Motorhead gig and that is part of the attraction for the band's loyal followers. Nothing flashy, just good old West Midlands heavy rock, played fast and loud. As Mr Kilmister observed: "We are Motorhead and we play rock 'n' roll."

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Mediaeval Baebes, pictured by Scott Chalmers

Baebes bring Mediaeval Christmas to cathedral

THE UK's number one selling classical vocal group, Mediaeval Baebes, has announced a nine-date tour of England in December, which will include a show at Birmingham Cathedral on Tuesday, December 20.

This outing will continue the tradition of the Mediaeval Baebes' annual Christmas tour. As a festive season gift to fans, the singers will be releasing the first single from their forthcoming album *The Huntress, Veni Veni Bella* as a free download with accompanying video in December.

Originally formed in 1996, the Mediaeval Baebes line up has evolved over the years and currently consists of musical director Katharine Blake alongside Sutton Coldfield woman Esther Dee, Emily Alice Ovenden, Bev Lee Harling, Sarah Kayte Foster, Clare Edmondson and Tanya Jackson. These accomplished songwriters, multi-instrumentalists and vocalists create their unique sound by drawing inspiration from medieval texts with the use of both classical and medieval musical instruments.

See www.mediaevalbaebes.com for tickets, priced from £12.50 to £18.50.

Man who saved The Wizard conducts movie music

John Wilson

RENOWNED conductor, arranger and film music expert John Wilson will be leading his orchestra to perform music from classic MGM musicals – music that he has saved from oblivion.

Wilson, who will be peforming with his orchestra on November 28 at Birmingham Symphony Hall (call 0121 780 3333 or see www.thsh.co.uk), was given permission by Warner Bros – then rights holders to the MGM catalogue – to reconstruct the scores of such classic film musicals as *The Wizard of Oz*, *Meet Me in St Louis* and *An American in Paris*.

In 1969 the studio made the blinkered decision to destroy the scores to their legendary film musical catalogue because it was taking up too much space. They ordered its destruction and the whole lot was buried under a golf course – every MGM musical since the late 1920s was destroyed.

All that remained were the piano reductions, or "short scores," which had been lodged for copyright purposes in the Library of Congress in Washington, DC.

Ear

When Warner Bros granted Wilson permission to reconstruct the lost arrangements, it was to these short scores that he turned, using them as the basis for the Herculean undertaking of transcribing the original orchestrations by ear from the soundtrack recordings.

The resulting album, *That's Entertainment: A Celebration of the MGM Film Musical* was released to rave reviews and charted at 17 in the UK national album charts.

Promise to reveal all

FIFTY years after the very first meeting between showgirl Christine Keeler and MP John Profumo, the new play *Keeler* continues its tell all tour at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre from Monday to Saturday, starring Paul Nicholas.

In 1963, Secretary of State for War Profumo was forced to resign after it was established that he had lied to Parliament about the nature of his relationship with a young showgirl – Christine Keeler. She was involved with a Russian spy during her affair with the Secretary of State. The ensuing scandal was, in part, responsible for the resignation of Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, and the suicide of the man who introduced Keeler to Profumo, Stephen Ward.

Based on the 2001 autobiography *The Truth At Last*, by Christine Keeler with Douglas Thompson, this play written by Gill Adams with Keeler's approval, reveals the inside story of the biggest political sex scandal to rock Britain in the 20th century. Paul Nicholas, probably best known for his performance as Vince in the BAFTA award-winning television series *Just Good Friends*, plays Ward and former *Emmerdale* actress Alice Coulthard stars as Christine Keeler.

Buddy! the rock 'n' roll biographical musical about Texan rock legend Buddy Holly, is staged at Birmingham New Alexandra Theatre from Monday to Saturday.

Slava's Snowshow, the dream-like creation of brilliant Russian clown Slava Polunin, is returning to Birmingham Hippodrome for the first time in several years to astound a new generation. His company of clowns will be peforming the frosty fantasy in the city this week until Sunday.

Slava's vision of clowning is light years away from the tired old big top stereotype. Once seen never forgotten, his show creates an alternative world of strange, surreal beauty where very peculiar things happen, such as a coat and hat stand getting a life of its own or a blizzard happening indoors.

Tickets are priced at £14 to £30. Special discounts for families available at certain performances. Tickets available on 0844 338 5000 or online at www.birminghamhippodrome.com.

Welsh National Opera performs Mozart's *Don Giovanni* at the Hippodrome on November 15 and 18, staging Janacek's *Katya Kabanova* on November 16 and Rossini's *The Barber of Seville* on November 17 and 19.

Where there's a Will

TEN years on from his Pop Idol triumph, Will Young is a multi-platinum selling singer and actor and has released his fifth studio album *Echoes*, including the hit *Jealousy* and new single *Come On*.

He will be in concert at Birmingham's O2 Academy on Sunday, November 20, with support from up-and-coming new band Lawson. See www.02academybirmingham.co.uk.

Other gigs to look out for include indie rockers The Pigeon Detectives at the O2 Academy 2 on Tuesday; quirky dub from Dreadzone at the Hare and Hounds (07531 723043) in Kings Heath on Thursday, November 17; and 2 Tone veterans The Beat and The Selector urging folks to *Twist and Crawl* at Birmingham Town Hall (call 0121 780 3333) on November 18.

Folk singer Kate Rusby

Festive folk gig for Kate

ONE of the brightest stars of the English contemporary folk scene, Kate Rusby, will be performing songs from her second album of Yorkshire-inspired songs and Christmas carols at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on Thursday, December 15.

She will be joined by her band and a brass quintet for her festive concert, drawing upon the new album *While Mortals Sleep*, interpreting traditional songs from her native county and performing self-penned material.

You've played the game – now read the book

ASSASSIN'S Creed is the global phenomenon that has taken the gaming world by storm.

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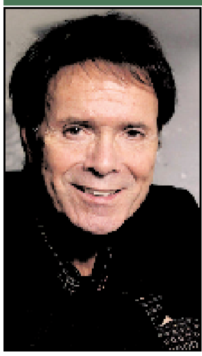

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE
BBC1, 9.15pm

The dependable Huw Edwards presents coverage of the annual event from the Royal Albert Hall in the presence of the Queen and other members of the royal family, and it's impossible not to be moved by an event that honours the people who have preserved our way of life. A who's who of big names provide the entertainment, with Cliff Richard, Katherine Jenkins and Joe McElderry performing alongside the Massed Bands of the Household Division, and the bands of HM Royal Marines, the Royal Air Force and the Brigade of Gurkhas.

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[illegible] Breakfast. [illegible] Bargain Hunt Famous Finds (R) [illegible] Lord Mayor's Show 2011. [illegible] BBC News; Regional News; Weather. [illegible] Formula 1: The Abu Dhabi Grand Prix — Qualifying. Live coverage from the Yas Marina Circuit (Start-time 1.00pm). [illegible] Live Boxing. The British Championships. [illegible] Remembrance Week. [illegible] BBC News; Regional News; Weather. [illegible] The Impressions Show with Culshaw and Stephenson (R) [illegible] Tonight's the Night.

[illegible] **Strictly Come Dancing.** The nine remaining couples perform ballroom or Latin routines.
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[illegible] **BBC News; Weather;** National Lottery Update.
[illegible] **FILM: Signs.** (2002) M Sci-fi thriller, starring Mel Gibson and Joaquin Phoenix.

[illegible] Weatherview. [illegible] Sign Zone: Frost on Nixon. (R) [illegible] BBC News.

BBC2

[illegible] CBeebies. [illegible] CBBC. [illegible] Football Focus. [illegible] The Sky at Night. (R) [illegible] Coast. (R) [illegible] Film: Carefree. (1938) [illegible] Film: Singin' in the Rain. (1952) Musical comedy, starring Gene Kelly. [illegible] Escape to the Country. (R) [illegible] Great British Food Revival. (R) [illegible] Flog It! (R)

[illegible] **Dad's Army.** The platoon stages a pageant. (R)
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[illegible] **Come Fly with Me (The Story of Pan Am).** How Pan American World Airways kick-started the jet age.
[illegible] **QI XL.** With Sandi Toksvig, Al Murray and Dara O Briain. (R)
[illegible] **George Harrison — Living in the Material World.** Part one of two. Martin Scorsese documentary tracing Harrison's early life in Liverpool, Beatlemania's advent and his fascination with Indian culture, both musical and spiritual. Concludes tomorrow.
[illegible] **Sings the Beatles.** Memorable covers of classic songs by the group. (R)

[illegible] Later with Jools Holland. (R) [illegible] BBC News. [illegible] Close.

ITV1

[illegible] CITV: Mini CITV. [illegible] CITV. [illegible] Coronation Street. [illegible] This Morning Saturday. [illegible] ITV News; Weather. [illegible] Film: Free Willy 2: The Adventure Home. (1995) Family adventure, starring Jason James Richter. [illegible] Film: Stop! Or My Mom Will Shoot. (1992) Comedy, starring Sylvester Stallone. [illegible] Regional Programmes. [illegible] ITV News; Weather. [illegible] Live International Football. England v Spain (Kick-off 5.15pm).

[illegible] **How Yer've Been Framed!** Men performing a humorous dance routine.
[illegible] **Harry Hill's TV Burp.** A review of the week's small-screen highlights.
[illegible] **The X Factor.** Dermot O'Leary hosts the sixth live studio round as the remaining acts battle to get one step closer to that life-changing recording contract. The results can be seen tomorrow at 8pm.
[illegible] **Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Paul Gascoigne.** The former England footballer opens up about the battles he has faced in his private life, including drug addiction and excessive drinking, and looks back on his heyday as a player.
[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**
[illegible] **International Football Highlights.**

[illegible] The Cube. (R) [illegible] The Zone. ITV News Headlines. [illegible] Kojak. (R) [illegible] ITV Nightscreen. [illegible] ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

[illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] The Film Show. (R) [illegible] British Rallycross Grand Prix 2011. [illegible] Extreme Sailing Series. [illegible] Channel 4 Presents — Oscar Pistorius: 'Blade Runner'. The Paralympic gold medallist explains his motivations. (R) [illegible] The Morning Line. [illegible] T4: Smallville. (R) [illegible] T4: Made in Chelsea. [illegible] T4: Inside SBTV: From Bedroom to Boardroom. [illegible] T4: T4 Favourites Show Patrol. (R) [illegible] T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) [illegible] T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] Channel 4 Racing. [illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R) [illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R) [illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R)

[illegible] **Jamie's Great Britain.** Jamie Oliver visits South Wales. (R)
[illegible] **Channel 4 News.**
[illegible] **Wherever.**
[illegible] **World War II: The Lost Heroes.** A soldier remembers his entry to the front line.
[illegible] **FILM: Twilight.** (2008) A teenager moves to a small town with her father, where she embarks on a dangerous romance with a mysterious vampire. Fantasy, starring Kristen Stewart.
[illegible] **FILM: Let the Right One In.** (2008) Premiere. Horror, starring Kare Hedebrant.

[illegible] Film: Thirst. (2009) Premiere. Horror, starring Kang-ho Song. [illegible] The Island. (R) [illegible] Shapes. (R) [illegible] Amnesia. (R) [illegible] St Elsewhere. (R) [illegible] Countdown. (R) [illegible] The Treacle People. (R)

Channel 5

[illegible] Milkshake! [illegible] Arthur Christmas: Movie Special. [illegible] How Not to Decorate. (R) [illegible] The Gadget Show. (R) [illegible] Big Brother: The Final. (R) [illegible] Film: Every Time We Say Goodbye. (1986) Second World War romantic drama, starring Tom Hanks. [illegible] Film: Tinker Bell and the Lost Treasure. (2009) Premiere. Animated adventure, with the voice of Mae Whitman. [illegible] Film: Mulan. (1998) Disney animated adventure, with the voice of Eddie Murphy.

[illegible] **FILM: Lara Croft Tomb Raider.** (2001) The gun-toting heroine battles a secret society as she searches for a legendary artefact that grants control over time. Action adventure, starring Angelina Jolie and Daniel Craig. Includes 5 News Update.
[illegible] **5 News Weekend.**
[illegible] **NCIS.** Two sailors appear to have died of an overdose. (R)
[illegible] **Live International Boxing.** Tyson Fury v Neven Pajkic. Coverage of the bout for the Commonwealth Heavyweight title at EventCity in Manchester.
[illegible] **UFC [illegible]** Action from Las Vegas, Nevada.

[illegible] SuperCasino. [illegible] Great Artists. (R) [illegible] Divine Designs. (R) [illegible] Rough Guide to Luxury Destinations. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. [illegible] Thomas & Friends. [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
3.25 The Only Way Is Essex 5.15 Film: Music and Lyrics (2007) Romantic comedy, starring Hugh Grant and Drew Barrymore. 7.15 Celebrity Gladiators 8.15 Gladiators 8.45 Heroes from Hell 9.45 The Xtra Factor 10.45 Celebrity Juice: I'm a Celebrity Special 11.30 Peter Andre: My Life

ITV3
4.00 Film: Sparkling Cyanide (1983) Agatha Christie mystery, starring Anthony Andrews. 6.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Foyle's War 11.15 Murder in Suburbia

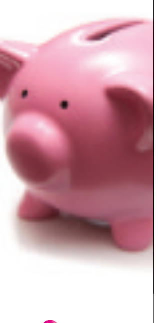
ITV4
2.10 Film: Octopussy (1983) 4.50 Film: The Far Country (1954) Western, starring James Stewart. 6.45 Film: Every Which Way But Loose (1978) 9.00 Film: Jaws 2 (1978) Thriller sequel, starring Roy Scheider. 11.25 Richard Bacon's Beer and Pizza Club

BBC THREE
7.00 Hot Like Us 8.00 Top Gear 9.00 Russell Howard's Good News Extra 9.45 Film: King Arthur (2004) 11.50 Family Guy

BBC FOUR
7.00 The Wonder of Weeds 8.00 Wellington Bomber 9.00 Wallander: The Pyramid 10.30 The Slap 11.25 The Secret Life of Ice

E4
3.55 Made in Chelsea 5.00 Scrubs 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 Happy Endings 7.30 How I Met Your Mother 8.00 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 Film: Meet the Spartans (2008) 10.30 The Big Bang Theory 11.35 Scrubs

FILM4
3.10 The Poseidon Adventure (1972) 5.25 Bless This House (1972) British comedy, starring Sid James. 7.10 The Golden Child (1986) 9.00 Sex and the City (2008) 11.45 Isolation (2005)



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GARROW'S LAW

BBC1, 9pm

Oscar Wilde once said that the law was an ass, but then, Oscar had a very one-track mind. As far as programme-makers are concerned, the law is a rich seam to be mined for dramatic gold, and they have done so brilliantly with this period drama, which is making a very welcome return. William Garrow is becoming one of TV's most loved legal eagles, and this series, charting his attempts to change the world through his work as a barrister, is a great ode to a real-life pioneer. In this opener, Garrow returns to the Bailey risking his reputation to defend James Hadfield, who is on trial for high treason for attempting to assassinate King George III.

BBC1

[illegible] Breakfast. [illegible] The Andrew Marr Show. [illegible] Remembrance Sunday: The Cenotaph; Weather for the Week Ahead. [illegible] Formula 1: The Abu Dhabi Grand Prix – Live. The 18th round of the season (Start time 1.00pm). [illegible] The Politics Show. [illegible] Frozen Planet. (R) [illegible] Points of View. [illegible] Songs of Praise.

[illegible] **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**

[illegible] **Countryfile.** Matt Baker and Ellie Harrison visit the Derwent Valley in Derbyshire.

[illegible] **Strictly Come Dancing.** The result is announced, and renowned violinist Andre Rieu performs.

[illegible] **Antiques Roadshow.** From the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire.

[illegible] **Garrow's Law.** New series. The barrister defends a man accused of trying to assassinate the king.

[illegible] **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**

[illegible] **Have I Got a Bit More News for You.** Extended edition, with Roisin Conaty and Andy Hamilton.

[illegible] **Ask Rhod Gilbert.** (R)

[illegible] **FILM: Management** (2008) Premiere. Comedy, starring Jennifer Aniston and Steve Zahn.

[illegible] Weatherview. [illegible] Sign Zone: Film 2011 with Claudia Winkleman. (R) [illegible] The Queen's Palaces. (R) [illegible] Holby City. (R) [illegible] BBC News.

BBC2

[illegible] CBeebies. [illegible] CBBC. [illegible] Something for the Weekend. [illegible] Great British Food Revival. (R) [illegible] Film: On Moonlight Bay (1951) Romantic musical comedy, starring Doris Day. [illegible] EastEnders. [illegible] Rugby League. [illegible] Peter Jones: How We Made Our Millions. (R)

[illegible] **Remembrance Sunday: The Cenotaph Highlights.** Presented by David Dimbleby and Sophie Raworth.

[illegible] **Top Gear.** Michael Sheen is the Star in a Reasonably Priced Car. (R)

[illegible] **How to Build a Super Jumbo Wing.** New series. The construction of a wing for an Airbus A380 jumbo jet.

[illegible] **Arena: George Harrison – Living in the Material World.** Part two of two. Martin Scorsese documentary tracing Harrison's post-Beatle days, including his solo career and work with the Traveling Wilburys, and his move into film production.

[illegible] **The Beatles' Bootleg...** An insight into the Beatles on tour. (R)

[illegible] **Never Mind the Buzzcocks.** With Greg Davies, Frankie Boyle, Amy Childs, Tinchy Stryder and Ian 'H' Watkins. (R)

[illegible] Film: Romance and Cigarettes. (2005) Musical drama, starring James Gandolfini. [illegible] BBC News. [illegible] Close.

ITV1

[illegible] CITV: Mini CITV. [illegible] CITV. [illegible] Monk. (R) [illegible] Finger Tips. [illegible] Film: The Adventures of Brer Rabbit. (2006) Children's musical animation, with the voice of Nick Cannon. [illegible] ITV News; Weather. [illegible] Live FA Cup Football: FC Halifax Town v Charlton Athletic (Kick-off 12.30pm). [illegible] The X Factor. (R) [illegible] Downton Abbey. (R)

[illegible] **Regional Programmes.**

[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**

[illegible] **Harry Hill's TV Burp.** A review of the week's small-screen highlights.

[illegible] **The Cube.** A primary school teacher and a marketing manager take part.

[illegible] **The X Factor.** The results, with performances by Lady Gaga and One Direction.

[illegible] **I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** New series. Ant and Dec present as a fresh batch of famous faces wave goodbye to their lives of luxury and spend three weeks camping in the Australian jungle.

[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**

[illegible] **FA Cup Highlights.** Action from the first-round ties.

[illegible] **Real Crime with Kiernan: The Gruen Show Killer.** The case of murderer John William Cooper. (R)

[illegible] The Zone. ITV News Headlines. [illegible] Motorsport UK. [illegible] ITV Nightscreen. [illegible] ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

[illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] Alisha's Terrex Coast to Coast. [illegible] T4: The Crush. (R) [illegible] T4: Hollyoaks. [illegible] T4: Professor Green Unseen. [illegible] T4: Live and Lost Parade. [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] T4: Shipwrecked: The Island. [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] Channel 4 Racing. [illegible] Channel 4 Presents – Oscar Pistorius 'Head Strong'. (R) [illegible] Grand Designs. (R) [illegible] Deal or No Deal. [illegible] Film: Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (2009) Premiere. Animated adventure sequel, with the voice of John Leguizamo.

[illegible] **Unorthodox.** An Orthodox rabbi argues welfare payments can be a bad influence.

[illegible] **Channel 4 News.**

[illegible] **River Cottage Veg.** Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall meets a vegetarian triathlete.

[illegible] **The Secret Millionaire.** Chai Patel, former chief executive of the Priory Group, visits Sheffield.

[illegible] **Alan Carr: Chatty Man.** With the X Factor judges, Tinie Tempah, Terry Wogan and Kasabian.

[illegible] **Teenage Vampires.** Young people in Texas who try to emulate vampires and werewolves.

[illegible] Derren Brown: The Secret of Luck. (R) [illegible] American Football Live: New York Jets v New England Patriots (Kick-off 1.20am). [illegible] Post Modern Pastimes. (R) [illegible] Freesports on 4. (R) [illegible] Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

[illegible] Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. [illegible] Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) [illegible] Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) [illegible] Fireman Sam. (R) [illegible] Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) [illegible] Castle Farm. (R) [illegible] Iggam Oggam. (R) [illegible] Rhubarb and Custard Too. (R) [illegible] The Save-Ums! (R) [illegible] Make Way for Noddy. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] Little Princess. (R) [illegible] The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) [illegible] Angelina Ballerina. [illegible] Rupert Bear. (R) [illegible] Olivia. (R) [illegible] The Mr Men Show. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R) [illegible] Animal Families. (R) [illegible] The Hotel Inspector. (R) [illegible] Paul Merton's Adventures. (R) [illegible] Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads. (R) [illegible] Bomber Boys: Revealed. (R) [illegible] Zoo Days. (R) [illegible] Film: Mary Higgins Clark's Moonlight Becomes You. (1998) Mystery thriller, starring Donna Mills. [illegible] Film: Avalanche Express. (1979) Cold War thriller, starring Lee Marvin. [illegible] 5 News Weekend. [illegible] Film: The Great Escape. (1963) Second World War drama, with Steve McQueen.

[illegible] **FILM: Hang 'Em High.** (1968) Western, with Clint Eastwood and Inger Stevens.

[illegible] **FILM: Young Guns.** (1988) Revenge Western, starring Emilio Estevez.

[illegible] SuperCasino. [illegible] Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) [illegible] Nick's Quest. (R) [illegible] Divine Designs. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. (R) [illegible] Thomas & Friends. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R)

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ITV2

3.30 All Star Family Fortunes 4.30 The Xtra Factor 5.30 Now You've Been Framed! 6.00 Film: The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas (2000) 7.50 Elle Goulding 8.00 Gladiators 9.00 The Xtra Factor 10.15 One Direction: The Hot Desk 10.30 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here Now! 11.35 Models, Misfits and Mayhem

ITV3

3.55 Mr Bean 4.25 Perspectives: Looking for Lowry 5.25 David Jason's Greatest Escapes: The Full Story 7.00 Agatha Christie's Poirot 9.00 My Boy Jack 11.00 Perspectives: Hugh Laurie Down by the River

ITV4

2.50 Film: Robbery Under Arms (1957) 4.55 Film: Support Your Local Sheriff (1969) 6.50 Film: Field of Dreams (1989) 9.00 Film: Assassins (1995) 11.50 Film: Child's Play 2 (1990)

BBC THREE

7.00 Formula 1: The Abu Dhabi Grand Prix – Highlights 8.00 The World's Strictest Parents 9.00 Gavin & Stacey 10.00 American Dad 10.35 Family Guy 11.00 Him & Her

BBC FOUR

7.00 The Story of British Pathe 8.00 Spitfire Women 9.00 World War Two: 1941 and the Man of Steel 10.30 Film: War Requiem (1989)

E4

2.20 Film: Alvin and the Chipmunks (2007) 4.00 Make It or Break It 5.50 The Big Bang Theory 6.45 My Name Is Earl 7.05 Film: Iron Man (2008) 10.00 Misfits 11.05 Comedy Lab: Kabadasses 11.40 Tool Academy

FILM4

2.55 Saboteur (1942) 5.05 This Happy Breed (1944) 7.15 How She Move (2007) 9.00 The Square (2008) Thriller, starring David Roberts. 11.05 Sex Drive (2008)

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Monday

BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 You've Been Scammed. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Filthy Rotten Scoundrels. (R) 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Moving On. 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Pointless. (R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 Inside Out. BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 EastEnders. 8.30 Meet the Burglars – Panorama. 9.00 Young Apprentice. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 A Question of Sport. 11.05 John Bishop's Britain. (R) 11.50 The Graham Norton Show. (R) 12.35 Weatherview. 12.40 Sign Zone: Paul Merton's Birth of Hollywood. (R) 1.40 The Impressionists – Painting and Revolution. (R) 2.40 The Story of Ireland. (R) 3.40 Nigel Slater's Simple Cooking. (R) 4.10 BBC News.

BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.45 The New Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) 1.30 Britain's Killer Roads. 2.15 Weakest Link. 3.00 Escape to the Country. 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two. 7.00 Great British Food Revival. (R) 8.00 University Challenge. 8.30 MasterChef: The Professionals. 9.00 The Choir: Military Wives. 10.00 Never Mind the Buzzcocks. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Rev. (R) 11.50 How to Build a Super Jumbo Wing. (R) 12.50 BBC News. 4.10 Close.

ITV1 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 May the Best House Win. 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) 3.50 Regional Weather. 4.00 Ade in Britain. 5.00 Best Dish: The Chefs. 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Little England. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here! 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Real Crime with Mark Austin: The Jigsaw Murder. 11.35 The Zoo. (R) 12.30 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.35 Champions League Weekly. 3.00 ITV Nightscreen. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.25 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 Undercover Boss USA. 9.55 Location, Location, Location. (R) 10.55 The Renovation Game. 12.00 Drop Down Menu. 12.35 Film: The Return of Frank James. (1940) Western sequel, starring Henry Fonda. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Four in a Bed. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Brave New World with Stephen Hawking. 9.00 Confessions of an Undercover Cop. 10.00 Rude Tube. 11.05 My Transsexual Summer. (R) 12.10 Fresh Meat. (R) 1.00 Random Acts. 1.05 Late Night Poker. 2.00 Film: Hare Rama Hare Krishna. (1971) Premiere. Musical drama, starring Dev Anand. 4.15 Accidentally on Purpose. (R) 4.35 Without a Trace. 5.20 St Elsewhere. (R)

Channel 5 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.10 LIVE with Gabby. 12.05 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Extraordinary People: Hope for Hayley. (R) 1.15 Home and Away. 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 CSI: NY. (R) 3.10 Film: Blessed Stranger: After Flight 111. (2000) Drama, starring Kate Nelligan. 5.00 5 News at 5. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Home and Away. (R) 6.25 OK! TV. 7.00 5 News at 7. 7.30 Celebrity Wish List; 5 News Update. 8.00 The Gadget Show; 5 News at 8. 9.00 New Hotel Inspector. 10.00 Film: A Perfect World. (1993) Drama, starring Kevin Costner and Clint Eastwood. 12.45 Comedy Kings: Best of Just for Laughs. 1.40 SuperCasino. 3.55 Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) 4.10 Grey's Anatomy. 4.55 Rough Guide to Adventures. (R) 5.10 House Doctor. (R)

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.45 The New Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) 1.30 Britain's Killer Roads. 2.15 Weakest Link. (R) 3.00 Escape to the Country. 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two. 7.00 MasterChef: The Professionals. 8.00 James May's Man Lab. 9.00 Double Agent: The Eddie Chapman Story. 10.00 Life's Too Short. (R) 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 The Choir: Military Wives. (R) 12.20 BBC News. 4.50 Close.

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.30 Film: Mr Blandings Builds His Dream House. (1948) 1.00 See Hear. 1.30 Britain's Killer Roads. 2.15 Weakest Link. (R) 3.00 Escape to the Country. 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two. 7.00 Great British Food Revival. 8.00 MasterChef: The Professionals. 9.00 Pan Am. 9.45 Pan Am. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Come Fly with Me (The Story of Pan Am). (R) 12.20 BBC News. 4.05 Close.

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Channel 4 6.05 The Hoobs. (R) 6.30 The Hoobs. (R) 6.55 Channel 4 Presents – Jonnie Peacock "Hit the Ground Running" (R) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 The Secret Millionaire USA. 9.55 Relocation: It's Never Too Late. (R) 10.55 The Renovation Game. 12.00 Drop Down Menu. 1.20 Channel 4 Presents – Oscar Pistorius "Head Strong" (R) 1.25 Film: Cottage to Let. (1941) 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Four in a Bed. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Kirstie's Handmade Britain. 9.00 Grand Designs. 10.00 Fresh Meat. 10.55 Alan Carr: Chatty Man. (R) 12.00 Random Acts. 12.05 Music on 4: On Track. 12.40 Music on 4: Ed Sheeran Live at Shepherds Bush Empire. 1.10 Music on 4: Live and Lost: Rizzle Kicks. (R) 1.35 Music on 4: The Album Chart Show: Spotlight. 1.50 Music on 4: 4Play: Dry the River. (R) 2.05 Film: Willard. (2003) 3.50 The Guides. (R) 4.05 Accidentally on Purpose. (R) 4.30 St Elsewhere. (R) 5.25 Countdown. (R)

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 Film: Sylvia Scarlett. (1935) 1.00 To Buy or Not to Buy. 1.30 Britain's Killer Roads. 2.15 Weakest Link. 3.00 Escape to the Country. 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two. 7.00 Great British Food Revival. 8.00 MasterChef: The Professionals. 9.00 Rev. 9.30 Life's Too Short. 10.00 Frank Skinner's Opinionated. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Burnistoun. (R) 11.50 Pan Am. (R) 12.35 Pan Am. (R) 1.15 Women! 1.50 BBC News. 4.25 Close.

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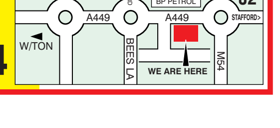

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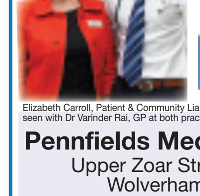

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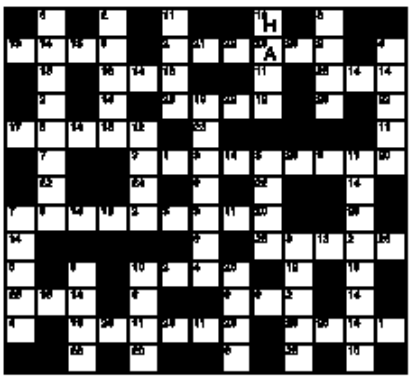

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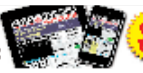

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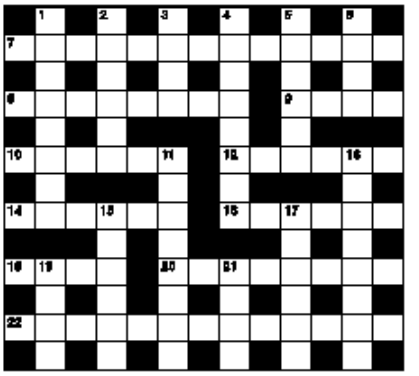
Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues – both fit the same grid.



Cryptic Clues:

Across

7. Polite construction worker? (5,8)
8. You won't care if you lose it (8)
9. The half that's bet to if we go outside! (4)
10. A fellow is a fair chap (6)
12. The force of an phasis (6)
14. Officer found on the staff? (6)
16. Not the first time (6)
18. A member of the opposition in Ro man times (4)
20. An affair to arouse curiosity (8)
22. Are they all model patients in it? (5,8)

Down

1. Nine dogs variously engaged (6,2)
2. Button takes an age to finish a bird (6)
3. In this place he re ally is friendless (4)
4. They won't speak much about others (8)
5. From the Austral tans we received a reply (6)
6. Knot sailors by to avoid (4)
11. The whole world finds it illuminating (8)
13. It's unusual and there's only one (8)
15. Solid lump of drip ping (6)
17. Where doctors acquire a bedside manner? (6)
19. A direction on gas (4)
21. What the sea may do to a ship (4)

Quick Clues:

Across

7. Remonstrance (13)
8. Succession (8)
9. Reverberate (4)
10. Grab (6)
12. Dwell emphatically (6)
14. Catchphrase (6)
16. Cabbages, etc. (6)
18. Stimulus (4)
20. Penitent (8)
22. Restriction (13)

Down

1. Outer (8)
2. Hardly (6)
3. Graze (4)
4. Dormant (8)
5. Accent (6)
6. The two (4)
11. Manacle (8)
13. Authorize (8)
15. Belt (6)
17. Mistakes (6)
19. Rain heavily (4)
21. Notch (4)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS.
CRYPTIC - Across. 1 Inn, 3 Mahogany, 9 Sergeant, 10 Sides, 12 Sewers, 14 Spoils, 15 Sidewa, 17 Sandal, 18 Pews, 19 Infrared, 21 Chandelier, 22 Lure. Down 2 Silver vase, 3 Strong, 4 Stages, 5 Sandal, 6 Nowadays, 7 Alto, 11 Hold water, 13 Advance, 16 Right, 17 Sandal, 18 Pose, 20 Fuel. QUICK - Across. 1 Sepia, 8 Shilladay, 9 Mannerism, 10 Snipe, 12 Needs, 14 Nobles, 15 Pension, 17 Sweets, 18 Lues, 19 Accident, 21 Infinitely, 22 Slide. Down 2 Advanced Sue, 3 Adine, 4 Manner, 5 Sidon, 6 Operates, 7 Sore, 11 Overcrowd, 13 Envision, 16 Summon, 17 Sweat, 18 Lui, 20 Oxon.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

	1		4	9	7		6	
4						9		6
		3		5		4	1	
			6		4	2		
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	4		9	6	5			

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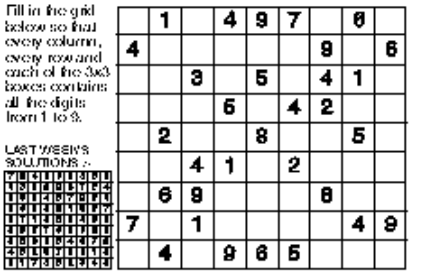
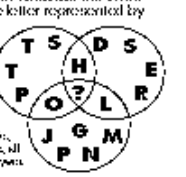


Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



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Get all switched on to latest lighting trends

Designer lookalike lamps are all the rage this year, ever since Samantha Cameron bagged a bargain. Gabrielle Fagan picks lights for all budgets

An inexpensive addition to any home – the Orlando Adjustable floor lamp, £39.99, for sale at Homebase

Get the look with this Autograph Extra Large Task Light Floor lamp, priced £199 from Marks & Spencer

Lights, camera, action – the new focus for interiors is on winter lighting which transforms rooms into stunning settings.

In recent years, designers have turned the spotlight on everything from pendants to the humble table lamp – and the effects are magical.

Myriad influences have inspired designs, including flights of fancy featuring pets and jungle creatures, the equipment used on film sets and in photographers' studios, and, naturally, glamour with crystal and bling adorning even simple shades.

Reproduction

While designers set the trend, it comes at a price. But these days the high street is quick to follow with affordable replicas so there's no need to feel left in the dark if your budget's tight.

Follow the lighting lead of the Prime Minister's wife, Samantha Cameron, who recently paid only a couple of hundred pounds for a reproduction of a classic Arco floor lamp, shunning the £1,600 price tag for an original.

"Samantha Cameron's not alone in choosing a reproduction of a classic," says David Gutfreund, managing director of Iconic Lights which sells the reproduction version.

"Many interior designers and architects specify reproduction products, particularly during the current challenging economic times.

"Only people with more money than sense would pay as much as six times more for the same thing. I believe if the designer Castiglioni was alive today, he would approve of our reproduction, and find it hard to tell the difference."

Here's a guide to the best designer buys and their money-saving equivalents on the high street.

TAKE THE FLOOR

Floor lamps languished in the shade for years, but they're enjoying huge popularity again because they're so versatile and decorative.

- SPLURGE: A design classic, the dramatic Flos Arco Silver Floor Light, with its white marble base, designed by Achille Castiglioni in 1962, is £1,615 from Heal's.
- SAVE: Samantha Cameron bought the Arco Floor lamp, £250 from Iconic Lights.

Oversized 'Anglepoise-style' floor lamps are also ultra-fashionable.

- SPLURGE: Autograph Extra Large Task Light Floor lamp, £199 from Marks & Spencer.
- SAVE: Orlando Adjustable floor lamp, £39.99 from Homebase.

LET IT BLING

For full-on glamour, nothing beats a chandelier as a focal point in a room. A glittering vintage-style crystal or glass creation does not have to be confined to a period setting – it can add a touch of decadence in a cool, contemporary space.

- SPLURGE: The Helena large ceiling spiral pendant, £850 (currently on offer at £595), is a stunner from Laura Ashley.
- SAVE: Mimic the sparkle with a mini Astoria easy-fit pendant, £39.99, from Homebase. Alternatively, the new kid on the block is the Shadelier: a shade incorporating delicate hanging crystals. It could suit any setting.
- SPLURGE: A Leo Black Easy-fit ceiling beaded pendant, with frosted glass droplets and a metallic gold lining, available in black or white, £80 from Laura Ashley (currently on offer from £56).
- SAVE: A Shadelier, £39.50, with a tiered droplet display handing from a black or red shade, Marks & Spencer.

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Mill Street NEW

3 bedroom traditional semi-detached house occupying a good sized corner plot and offering no upward chain. The accomodation benefits from upvc double glazing and gas central heating (as specified) and further comprises reception hall, lounge, kitchen, downstairs toilet, bathroom, front, side and rear gardens and secure side drive.
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Baldwin Street

A good sized two bedroom detached bungalow having the benefit of double glazing, gas central heating and no upward chain. The property briefly comprises, porch, reception hall, lounge, kitchen, dining room, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens, off road parking and separate garage at rear.
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Elizabeth Avenue NEW

Viewing essential to appreciate this immaculatly presented 3 bedroom semi-detached benefiting from gas central heating and upvc double glazing and offering superbly appointed contemporary accommodation comprising: reception hall, 19ft through lounge with feature inset fire, re-fitted breakfast kitchen with oven & hob, utility, re-fitted bathroom with jacuzzi and multi-jet shower, front drive and enclosed rear garden.
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Julie Croft NEW

★★★PRICED TO SELL★★★ Well Presented modern 2 bedroom mid terrace house benefiting from upvc double glazing and gas central heating. Further comprising entrance hall, lounge, re-fitted kitchen diner with integrated appliances, re-fitted bathroom, front drive and rear garden.
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Weston Drive

Well presented 3 bedroom detached, central heating, double glazing, alarm, reception hall, guest wc, lounge with feature fireplace, dining room, fitted kitchen with integral appliances, re-fitted house bathroom, en-suite to master bedroom, garage & drive, rear garden.
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Pentland Gardens

Substantial 5 bedroom detached house, extended & much improved, gas central heating, double glazing, 16ft hall with parquet floor, 22ft lounge, dining room, family room, 19ft fitted breakfast kitchen with integral appliances, utility room, guest wc, gallery landing, luxury bathroom with jacuzzi bath & multi-jet steam shower, 25ft master bedroom with en-suite facilities, sauna, integral garage & 3 car drive & rear garden.
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St Chads Road

Detached bungalow benefiting from gas central heating and upvc double glazing but requiring further upgrading. The accomodation offers no upward chain and further comprises reception hall, lounge, extended kitchen, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom/wc, front drive and rear garden.
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Hadley Road

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Brierley Lane NEW

★IDEAL INVESTMENT or 1ST PURCHASE★ 3 bedroom semi-detached house benefiting from gas central heating and upvc double glazing (where specified) and offering no upward chain. Further comprising reception hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility, bathroom, seperate wc, front and rear gardens.
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Traditional 3 bedroom double fronted semi-detached house offering spacious accomodation and benefiting from gas central heating and upvc double glazing. Hall, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility, bathroom and front and rear gardens. No upward chain.
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Bow Street

Modern 3 storey end house close to town centre and benefiting from double glazing & economy 7 heating. Further comprising 3 good bedrooms, reception hall, ground floor wc, lounge, dining room, kitchen, 2nd floor bathroom, front drive and rear garden.
OFFERS AROUND: £102,000
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Strathern Drive

Much improved & well presented 3 storey, 3/4 bedroom end terrace house benefiting from central heating & double glazing. Further comprising entrance porch, hall, wc, laundry room & sitting room/bed 4 on ground floor, lounge, re-fitted dining kitchen & conservatory on 1st floor & 3 bedrooms & re-fitted bathroom on 2nd floor with 2 car front drive & rear garden.
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Elm Avenue

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Whitegates Road

Extended and much improved semi-detached house benefiting from central heating and double glazing and offering no upward chain. Briefly comprising reception hall, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, 4 bedrooms with en-suite to master, fitted bathroom, front and rear gardens, garage and drive.
OFFERS AROUND: £165,000
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Carder Crescent

A three bedroom semi detached family home having the benefit of double glazing and gas central heating. The property further comprises, reception hall, spacious through lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, guest W.C, utility area, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, front and rear gardens and off road parking.
OFFERS AROUND: £105,000
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Weston Drive

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Kemsey Drive

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Dover Street

A substantial period detached residence in need of refurbishment, no upward chain. The accomodation briefly comprises entrance hall, 4 reception rooms, dining kitchen, laundry room and wc on ground floor with 4 double bedrooms and two bathrooms on 1st floor. Outside is a 3 car drive, garage and rear garden.
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Albany Crescent

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Mount Pleasant

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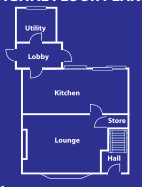

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A distinguished Georgian residence briefly comprises choice of reception rooms, farm house style dining kitchen, basement room, wine cellar, conservatory, office, 5 bedrooms, bathrooms/showrooms, leisure room, garaging, spa chalet and extensive mature gardens.

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LOWER PENN £595,000

This individually designed property is discretely set back from the road in grounds of around 0.5 acre briefly comprises covered porch, hallway, living room, sitting room, study, shower room, store/hobby room, dining kitchen, conservatory, utility, first floor landing/sitting area, 4 bedrooms- master en-suite, family bathroom, ample parking, large garage and lawned garden.

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BISHOPS WOOD £575,000

Situated at the head of a private driveway this distinctive residence briefly comprises porch, large entrance hall, cloakroom, living room, sitting room, study, large ground floor bedroom with en-suite, luxury breakfast kitchen, double garage with electric doors, 3 first floor double bedrooms- master en-suite, family bathroom, secure landscaped gardens, integrated sound system.

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CODSALL WOOD £465,000

This semi rural detached property of distinction briefly comprises entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, study, breakfast kitchen, utility, 4 bedrooms- 2 with ensuite, family bathroom,DG & GCH block paved driveway, double width garage and large garden with views over open countryside.

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SEISDON £460,000

Full of character and charm this cottage makes a fantastic home. Hall, Living Room, Dining Room, Snug, Cellar, Beautiful Breakfast Kitchen, 5 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms. The second bedroom has an additional room currently used another sitting room/family room, lovely gardens, large patio and a large drive and a detached double garage.

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WHEATON ASTON £425,000

This double fronted detached residence briefly comprises canopy porch, entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, day room, fitted breakfast kitchen with lounge area, utility, 4 double bedrooms with 2 en-suite, family bathroom, ample off street parking and over 1/3 acre of garden.

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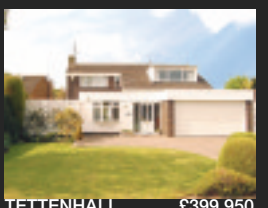

TETTENHALL £399,950

In this choice location, this exceptionally well appointed detached property briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, conservatory, dining room, breakfast kitchen, office/occasional room, shower room, utility, 4 double bedrooms, family bathroom, DG & GCH, double garage, landscaped gardens

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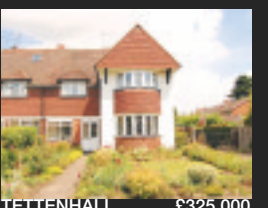

TETTENHALL £325,000

This double fronted semi detached property briefly comprises vestibule, entrance hall, dining room, sitting room, breakfast kitchen, utility/ fitted cloak room, 4 bedrooms, family bathroom, garage, off road secure parking for several vehicles and beautifully manicured mature gardens.

Tettenhall Office (01902) 755585

PATTINGHAM £325,000

Situated on the fringe of Pattingham Village this extended detached bungalow briefly comprises reception porch, entrance hall, extended sitting room with separate dining area, breakfast kitchen, utility, fitted cloakroom, bathroom, 2 good size bedrooms, sweeping driveway to attached garage and landscaped rear garden with open aspect, NO UPWARD CHAIN

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CODSALL £299,950

This extended detached property briefly comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, sitting room, dining room, conservatory, breakfast kitchen, utility, five bedrooms- two en-suite, family bathroom,DG & GCH, off street parking, garage and landscaped rear garden.

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CASTLECROFT £299,950

This modern & contemporary styled detached property briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, sitting room, dining kitchen, fitted cloakroom, GCH & DG, 4 bedrooms- master en-suite, luxury bathroom, ample off street parking, garage and enclosed rear garden.

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BREWOOD £289,950

This detached cottage has an extremely deceptive layout of living accommodation Briefly comprising reception hall, lounge, sitting room, garden room, dining room, utility, fitted kitchen, gallery style landing, 3 bedrooms, fitted bathroom and landscaped garden.

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COSFORD GRANGE £280,000

A charming stone built and beautifully presented early to mid 19th century grade II listed lodge with garden and driveway.3 Reception Rooms, 3 Bedrooms, Kitchen, Luxurious Bathroom (with bath and separate shower), Driveway, Garden.

Telford (01952) 200255

TETTENHALL WOOD£269,950

A beautifully appointed period style property with front views and good sized gardens. The well maintained interiorEntrance hall, fitted cloakroom, lounge and dining area, newly fitted kitchen and utility. A choice of two double bedrooms and a study/nursery and a large bathroom on the 1st floor. parking and a detached double garage.

Tettenhall Office (01902) 755585

TETTENHALL WOOD£275,000

Occupying a choice corner position this deceptively spacious semi detached property briefly comprises canopy porch, reception hall, living room, breakfast kitchen, annex bedroom 4/ additional sitting room, ground floor wet room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, block paved off street parking, landscaped gardens.

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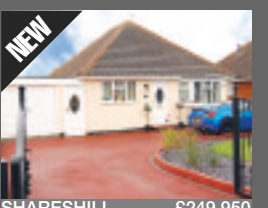

SHARESHILL £249,950

Occupying a private cul-de-sac position this modernised detached bungalow briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining area, kitchen, utility, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, DG & GCH, off road parking, garage and enclosed rear garden.

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OLD HALL PARK £229,950

This extended detached property briefly comprises reception porch, entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, conservatory, fitted kitchen, utility, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms- master en-suite, family bathroom, double garage, landscaped rear garden.

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PENN COMMON £195,000

Situated in Penn Commons landmark 17th century Penn Brewery building with delightful views over the golf course this three storey terrace property comprises dining room, sitting room, open plan breakfast kitchen, rear lobby, 2 double bedrooms with en-suite facilities and low maintenance rear courtyard.

Tettenhall Office (01902) 755585

CODSALL £179,950

This much improved semi detached property briefly comprises entrance hall, sitting room, refitted kitchen, small utility, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, ample parking, attached garage and private rear garden.

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WILLENHALL £165,000

This deceptive extended 3 bedroom detached property is situated on a choice corner position in this quiet cul-de-sac and briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, sitting room, wc, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, off road parking, garage, mature enclosed rear garden.

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CODSALL £150,000

Occupying a choice corner position this well appointed semi detached property briefly comprises reception hall, sitting room, dining area, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, off road parking, carport, large L shaped enclosed rear garden.

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DUNSTON £1,600

This executive detached residence is set in a rural location and briefly comprises entrance hall, wc, lounge, dining room, breakfast kitchen, utility , galleried landing, five bedrooms, three en-suites, family bathroom, driveway, rear & side garden with views over open countryside.

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PATTINGHAM £1,500

This dorma style detached residence is set well back off Pattingham High Street briefly comprises entrance hall, fitted cloakroom, open plan sitting & dining area, breakfast kitchen , utility, ground floor bedroom with en-suite bathroom, large open plan gallery landing 2 further double bedrooms with en-suite bathrooms, ample parking, garage with electric up and over door and private low maintenance rear garden

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COMPTON £850

Set in a most popular location the property comes luxuriously furnished and briefly comprises lounge, fitted kitchen, dining area, three bedrooms, master en-suite, family bathroom, garage and carport, private rear garden, dg & gch.

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BREWOOD £750

A Four Bedroom Semi Detached property Situated in the Idyllic Location of Brewood with a Garage and off Road Parking, Accommodation comprises of Living Room, Kitchen, Downstairs WC, Four Bedrooms with En suite to main, Family Bathroom, Enclosed Rear Garden,

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ACKLETON £595

A Semi-detached cottage set in a semi rural location is full of character briefly comprising lounge, dining room, kitchen with oven,/washing machine and fridge, 2 double bedrooms , family bathroom, parking.

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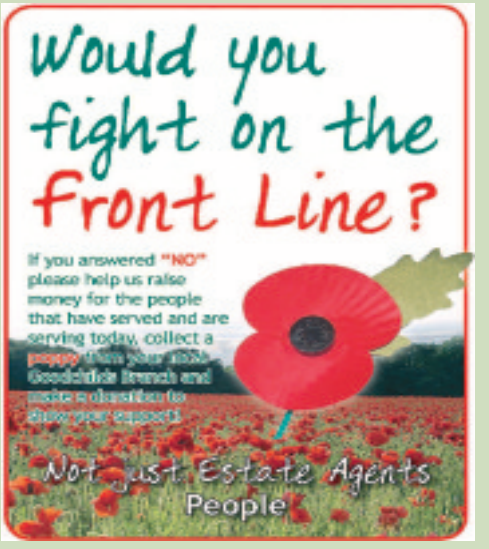

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FEATHERSTONE TEASEL GROVE — £189,995

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"A MODERN STYLE DETACHED HOME SITUATED IN A HIGHLY POPULAR CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION" Comprising generous lounge, open plan kitchen diner, utility, ground floor wc, three bedrooms, MASTER EN-SUITE, further family bathroom, front and rear gardens with ample off road parking with garage to side.

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"PRICED ATTRACTIVELY TO SELL - A MODERN FAMILY DETACHED HOME SITUATED IN A HIGHLY POPULAR CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION" Comprising ground floor wc, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility, FOUR BEDROOMS, en-suite, further bathroom pleasant front & rear gardens, off road parking, garage to side.

FEATHERSTONE WIDGEON GROVE — £175,000

FEATHERSTONE

"A WELL PRESENTED AND MODERN THREE BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE" Comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, utility, cloakroom, three bedrooms & a modern fitted family bathroom. This property also benefits from having off road parking leading to garage, front & rear gardens.

FEATHERSTONE BURNET GROVE — £159,995

FEATHERSTONE

"MODERN EXTENDED SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY SITUATED IN A CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION IN A POPULAR DEVELOPMENT" Comprising lounge adjoining dining room, kitchen, FOUR BEDROOMS, bathroom, front garden with off road parking, pleasant rear garden, garage to side, Conveniently located for I54.

FEATHERSTONE DUNLIN DRIVE — £155,000

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"A DETACHED HOME SET IN A PRIVATE ROAD" Composing lounge, generous kitchen/diner, generous utility/office, three bedrooms, fitted bathroom, front and rear gardens with off road parking, LARGE GARAGE TO SIDE.

WEDNESFIELD WYMERING AVENUE — £165,000

5 BEDROOMS

A SHOWHOME CONDITION EXTENDED SEMI DETACHED IN CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION comprising open plan lounge, feature open plan breakfast kitchen, separate dining room, ground floor wc, FIVE BEDROOMS, feature refitted bathroom, pleasant front and rear gardens, garage to side. VIEWING HIGHLY ADVISED.

ETTINGSHALL PARK DOVEDALE ROAD — £159,995

CHAIN FREE

"A CHAIN FREE TRADITIONAL THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, modern fitted kitchen, three bedrooms and a modern fitted family bathroom. This property also benefits from having off road parking, garage and front and rear gardens.

WEDNESFEILD, BEECHWOOD AVENUE — £150,000

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"A REMODERNISED EXTENDED FAMILY HOME WITH ADJOINING LAND PURCHASE OPTION WITH PLANNING PERMISSION FOR A FURTHER FAMILY HOME (LAND FOR SALE AT £50,000)" Existing property comprising lounge/sitting room, large kitchen diner, utility, three bedrooms, bathroom, front & rear gardens.

WEDNESFIELD MILL LANE — £150,000

REMODERNISED

"SITUATED IN A POPULAR & SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION VIEWING IS RECOMMENDED TO APPRECIATE THIS REMODERNISED TRADITIONAL SEMI DETACED PROPERTY " Comprising entrance hall, sitting/dining room, lounge with study area, conservatory, dining kitchen, three bedroom, bathroom, front & rear garden, garage.

FALLINGS PARK CADMAN CRESCENT — £145,000

LARGE GARAGE

"TRADITIONAL SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY SITUATED ON GENEROUS CORNER PLOT" Comprising lounge, dining/sitting room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, pleasant front & rear gardens with off road parking, the feature of the property being the large double garage to side with part built extension to rear.

WEDNESFIELD SHEILA AVENUE — £150,000

DORMER BUNGALOW

"A CHAIN FREE DORMER SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW/HOUSE SITUATED IN A POPULAR CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION" Comprising open plan lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms (large master bedroom with opportunity to convert to two rooms), two bathrooms, front and rear garden with off road parking, garage to side.

WEDNESFIELD MILL LANE — £134,995

DETACHED

"A FAMILY DETACHED PROPERTY SITUATED ON THE CORNER OF CANNOCK ROAD & MILL LANE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, fitted bathroom, front and rear gardens with ample gated off road parking to side, detached garage to side.

WEDNESFIELD PRESTWOOD ROAD WEST — £125,000

CHAIN FREE

"A TRADITIONAL CHAIN FREE SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY SITUATED IN A HIGHLY POPULAR LOCATION REQUIRING UPDATING & MODERNISATION" Comprising lounge, dining/sitting room, sun room, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, bathroom, front garden with off road parking, generous rear gardens, garage

WEDNESFIELD, BELLAMY LANE — £137,500

SHOWHOME STYLED WITH GREEN VIEWS

"A SHOWHOME STYLE REMODERNISED SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY WITH GREEN VIEWS TO FRONT AND SITUATED IN A POPULAR LOCATION" Comprising generous open plan lounge/diner, refitted breakfast kitchen, side veranda/utility potential, THREE DOUBLE BEDROOMS, large feature bathroom, front & rear gardens, garage.

WILLENHALL WILLENHALL ROAD — £139,995

2 EN-SUITES

A modern three storey end of terrace town house briefly comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms, two en-suites, one family bathroom. This property also benefits from having off road parking, front and rear gardens.

BILSTON TEMPLE STREET — £139,995

BRAND NEW HOMES

"A BRAND NEW SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY CONVENIENTLY LOCATED FOR BILSTON CENTRE & METRO TRAM LINKS"Comprising generous lounge, fitted dining kitchen, ground floor wc, three bedrooms (large attic bedroom with master en-suite), separate family bathroom, front and rear gardens with off road parking.

GOLDTHORN ROSEMARY CRESCENT WEST — £135,000

CHAIN FREE

A TRADITIONAL 3 BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY,briefly comprising of entrance hall, lounge, dining room,kitchen,family bathroom,this property also benefits from having driveway leading to carport and a good sized rear garden, no ongoing chain

EASTFIELD DEANS ROAD — £135,000

5 BEDROOMS

"FIVE DOUBLE BEDROOMS" A five bedroom semi detached house Briefly comprising entrance porch, entrance hall, modern fitted ground floor shower room, lounge, sitting room, sun room, kitchen, five bedrooms and family bathroom, block paved driveway to front and a good size rear garden. Chain free.

UNDERHILL CANNOCK ROAD — £114,995

CHAIN FREE

"A CHAIN FREE THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen, sitting room, utility room, three bedrooms and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from having a front garden with off road parking leading to carport and an enclosed rear garden.

TETTENHALL WOOD THE CRESCENT — £129,995

3 BEDROOMS

"A TRADITIONAL THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from having off road parking to front, a generous size rear garden and is offered with no ongoing chain.

TETTENHALL WOOD PENK RISE — £125,000

PUBLIC NOTICE

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CASTLECROFT BAGRIDGE ROAD — £117,000

CASTLECROFT

"A THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, good size lounge, kitchen breakfast room, three bedrooms and a family shower room. This property also benefits from having front and rear gardens and is offered with no ongoing chain.

DUNSTALL SHETLAND CLOSE — £113,950

REFURBISHED

"A REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE SITUATED IN A CUL-DE-SAC" Comprising entrance hall, lounge, open plan modern fitted kitchen breakfast room with integrated appliances, master bedroom with modern fitted en-suite, modern fitted bathroom, front & rear gardens and a private driveway.

BUSHBURY CROMWELL ROAD — £112,000

CHAIN FREE

"A CHAIN FREE SEMI DETACHED PROPERTY" Comprising large lounge, generous size kitchen diner, three bedrooms, bathroom, generous front and rear gardens with ample off road parking, large garage to side, outside wc.

PARKFIELDS CARSHALTON GROVE — £109,995

BUNGALOW

"A CHAIN FREE TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from having front and rear gardens, driveway and garage.

PENN WARSTONES DRIVE — £105,000

3 BEDS & GARAGE

"A THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge through dining room, kitchen breakfast room, three bedrooms, family bathroom, with separate wc. This property also benefits from having front and rear gardens and garage to rear.

OFF TETTENHALL ROAD HADEN HILL — £95,000

CHAIN FREE

"A CHAIN FREE TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT" Briefly comprising communal entrance hall, private entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. This property also benefits from having an allocated parking space behind secured gates.

BUSHBURY SCHOOL LANE — £95,000

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"A CHAIN FREE GENEROUS SIZED FAMILY HOME" Comprising entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, adjoining dining room, good size kitchen, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens with gardeners wc, two brick built outbuildings.

BUSHBURY PARK LANE — £84,995

CHAIN FREE

"A CHAIN FREE THREE BEDROOM END OF TERRACE HOUSE" Briefly comprising lounge, kitchen breakfast room, lean to, three bedrooms and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from having front and rear gardens and off road parking.

PENDEFORD THE MOORINGS — £120,000

CHAIN FREE

"A CHAIN THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedroom and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from having driveway leading carport and garage and a rear garden and is in a cul-de-sac location.

PARK VILLAGE CANNOCK ROAD — £77,500

CHAIN FREE

"A TRADITIONAL THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and family bathroom. This property also benefits from having front and rear gardens and is offer with no ongoing chain

PARKFIELDS TOLWORTH GARDENS — £74,995

2 BEDROOMS

"A TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT SITUATED IN A CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, modern fitted kitchen, two bedrooms and a modern fitted bathroom. This property also benefits from having a private front and rear garden and driveway providing off road parking

FORDHOUSES CRATHORNE AVENUE — £69,950

CHAIN FREE

"A TRADITIONAL THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE IN NEED OF SOME MODERNISATION & REDECORATION" Comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from having front and rear gardens, driveway and situated in a cul-de-sac.

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CHAIN FREE

"A TRADITIONAL TWO BEDROOM MID TERRACE HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, ground floor shower room, two double bedrooms and private rear garden. This property is offered with no ongoing and benefits from being in a cul-de-sac location

BLAKENHALL FOWLER STREET — £59,950

CHAIN FREE

"A CHAIN FREE TRADITIONAL TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen breakfast room, two bedrooms and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from having front and rear gardens.

PARKFIELDS TOLWORTH GARDENS — £57,500

CHAIN FREE

A 2 BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR MAISONETTE Briefly comprising of entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, family bathroom, off road parking, garden space, no on going chain.

WEDNESFIELD OKEMENT DRIVE — £49,950

2 BEDROOMS

"A TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT" Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom with separate wc. This property is offered with no ongoing and is in need of some modernisation and redecoration.

WOLVERHAMPTON SALOP STREET — £45,000

CITY CENTRE

"A MODERN ONE BEDROOM SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT" Comprising communal entrance hall, private entrance hall, open plan modern fitted kitchen and lounge, bedroom and modern fitted bathroom. This property also benefits from having no ongoing chain and is situated in a convenient City Centre location.

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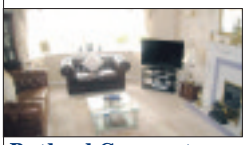

Rutland Crescent £200,000

Impressive Traditional Three Bedroom Detached Family Home On Popular Mountford Estate. Welcoming Lounge With Bay Fronted Window. Seperate Dining Room. Fitted Kitchen and Cloakroom WC. Large Garage/Workshop To Side. Two Double And One Single Bedroom. Beneiftting From Gas Central Heating System and Double Glazing. Conreate Impression Driveway. Enclosed Mature Rear Garden With Large Patio. Internal Viewing Advised To Fully Appreciate And The Potential To Extended (Subject To Planning)

TETTENHALL

No Chain

Aldersley Road £159,995

★ For Sale with No Upward Chain.
★ Three Bedroom Semi Detached.
★ Having Been Extended.
★ Two Reception Rooms & Kitchen.
★ Downstairs WC & Sun Room.
★ Combi Gas C/H System & Part D/G.
★ Mature Landscapped Rear Garden.

BILSTON

Cadgwith Gardens £155,000

★ Four Bedroom Detached House
★ No Upward Chain Involved
★ Lounge, Dining Room, Sitting Room/Office.
★ Kitchen with Utility Room
★ Ensuite and Bathroom
★ Landscaped Rear Garden.

COMPTON

Westland Avenue £147,000

★ Semi Detached Property
★ Open Plan Lounge & Dining Room
★ Dining Kitchen
★ Three Bedrooms & Bathroom
★ D/G & Gas Central Heating System
★ Garage & Driveway
★ Front & Rear Garden

WEDNESFIELD

Townson Road £114,950

★Three Bedroom Semi
★Lounge & Dining Room
★Kitcehn & Side Veranda
★Gas Central Heating
★Upvc Double Glazing
★Excellant Internal Condition
★Front & Enclosed Rear Garden

PENNFIELDS

Fisher Street £79.950

★ Well Presented Mid Terrace Property
★ Two Reception Rooms
★ Having A Cosy Open Fire.
★ Modern Fitted Kitchen
★ Gas Central Heating
★ Two Double Bedrooms
★ Good Size Garden Backing Onto A Park

FALLINGS PARK

New

Cannock Road £77,500

★ Attention Investors, No Chain Involved
★ In Need Of Modernisation
★ Traditional Bay Fronted Semi
★ Three Bedrooms, Two Reception Rooms.
★ Close To The City Centre & New Cross
★ Part Gas Central Heating System (Not Tested)
★ Front Garden and Enclosed Rear Garden

BILSTON

Fairway Green £70,000

★ Three Bedroom End Terrace Property
★ In Need Of Modernisation.
★ Lounge, Kitchen Diner, Downstairs WC
★ Enclosed Rear Garden and Front Garden.
★ Majority Upvc Double Glazing
★ Gas Central Heating System (not tested)
★ No Upward Chain Involved

COSELEY

No Chain

Norton Crescent £65,000

★ NO CHAIN INVOVLED, IDEAL INVESTMENT
★ Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property
★ Need Of Internal Decoration.
★ Lounge and Dining Room. Fitted Kitchen. Bathroom
★ Gas Central Heating System
★ Majority Double Glazed. Enclosed Rear Garden
★ Off Road Parking To Front.

OXLEY

No Chain

Green Drive £119,000

★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
★ Three Bedroom Semi Detached
★ Lounge With Separate Kitchen & Dining Room
★ Bathroom & Downstairs W/C
★ Off Road Parking & Garage
★ Front & Rear Gardens
★ Gas Central Heating System

BUSHBURY

New Price

Chartwell Drive £118,000

) NO UPWARD CHAIN
) Two Bedroom Semi Detached
) Living Room, Kitchen & Conservatory
) Fully Gas Central Heated
) Fully Double Glazed
) Off Road Parking
) Gated Car Port & Garage

OXLEY

New Price

Renton Road £110,000

) Three Bedroom Semi Detatched
) Lounge, Kitchen & Conservatory
) Outhouses
) Gas Central Heating
) Fully Double Glazed
) Off Road Parking
) Rear Garden

BUSHBURY

New

Bushbury Lane £105000

) NO CHAIN - VIEWING IS ESSENTIAL TO FULLY APPRECIATE THE SIZE OF THE PROPERTY ON OFFER
) Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property
) Fantastic Family Home.
) Lounge, Dining Room, Sun Room, Kitchen
) Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating
) Off Road Parking And Gardens .

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FORDHOUSES

New

Harrowby Road £105,000

) NO UPWARD CHAIN
) Traditional Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
) Two Separate Reception Rooms And A Kitchen
) Gas Central Heating
) Double Glazing
) Detached Garage To The Rear
) Off Road Parking

OXLEY

New

Renton Grove £105,000

★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
★ Three Bedroom Mid Terrace
★ Living Room, Kitchen & Diner
★ Utility Room
★ Seperate WC And Bathroom
★ Gas Central Heating System
★ Double Glazed Throughout

FORDHOUSES

New Price

Slade Road £99,995

★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
★ Three Bedroom Mid Terrace
★ Lounge, Dining Room & Recently Refurbished Kitchen
★ Seperate W/C In Outhouses
★ Fully Gas Central Heated
★ Fully Double Glazed
★ Front & Rear Gardens

FORDHOUSES

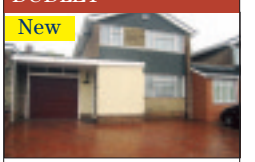
New

Brinsford Road £99,950

★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
★ Two Bed End Terrace
★ Lounge & Kitchen
★ Bathroom & Separate W/C
★ Outbuildings
★ Front & Rear Gardens
★ Fully Gas Central Heated & Double Glazed

DUDLEY

New



Northway £625 pcm

★ Three Bedroom Detached Property
★ Lounge/Diner & Kitchen with Cooker
★ Garage & Enclosed Rear Garden
★ Gas Central Heating System
★ Double Glazing
★ Unfurnished

WOLVERHAMPTON

New

Park Lane £595 pcm

★ Immaculate Three Bedroom Semi
★ Extended Stylish Kitchen & Utility
★ Garage & Guest WC, Upstairs Bathroom
★ Lounge, Dining Room & Bathroom
★ Unfurnished, Enclosed Rear Garden

BUSHBURY

New Price

Lauderdale Gardens £82,000

★ Three Bedroom Semi
★ Lounge, Dining Room & Kitchen
★ First Floor Bathroom & Downstairs W/C
★ Gas Central Heating System
★ Majority Double Glazing
★ Off Road Parking

PENDEFORD

New Price

Catisfield Crescent £81,000

★ NO UPWARD CHAIN, IDEAL FIRST TIME BUY
★ Reduced In Price To Achieve A Quick Sale
★ Three Bedroom Mid Terraced
★ Fully Double Glazed
★ Hot Air Heaying System
★ Front & Rear Gardens
★ Gated Off Road Parking Space To The Rear

BUSHBURY

New Price

Ringwood Road £67,950

★ NO UPWARD CHAIN
★ Investment Opportunity
★ Three Bedroom Semi Detached
★ Two Receptions Rooms
★ Double Glazed
★ Central Heating
★ Off Road Parking & Front Yard

ASHMORE PARK

New

Palmer Close £520 pcm

★ Two Double Bedrooms
★ Through Lounge/Diner
★ Fitted Kitchen with Appliances
★ Gas Central Heating System
★ Driveway & Enclosed Rear Garden

WEDNESFIELD

Bushbury Road £525 pcm

★ Refurbished Three Bedroom House.
★ Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating System
★ Front Lounge, Dining Room
★ Newly Fitted Kitchen with built in cooker
★ Bathroom Suite with Electric Shower
★ Attractive Rear Garden

PENDEFORD

New

Penshaw Close £475 pcm

★ Large Two Bedroom Property
★ Lounge & Dining Room
★ Fited Kitchen & Side Vernada
★ End Plot Garden & Garage
★ Unfurnished
★ Good Internal Condition

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CODSALL

NEW PRICE

★ Modern-style detached residence in particularly pleasant cul-de-sac setting overlooking adjacent green belt fields on the village outskirts but well placed to access its excellent selection of amenities ★ Comfortable family accommodation, very nicely presented with stylishly appointed specification ★ Hall with fitted cloakroom ★ Lounge with feature fireplace ★ Separate dining room ★ Superb conservatory providing 160 sq ft. of useful additional living space ★ 17ft. breakfast kitchen with adjoining utility ★ Master bedroom with shower room en-suite ★ Three further well proportioned bedrooms ★ Contemporary-style shower room ★ Gas-fired CH ★ Double glazed windows ★ 21ft. garage plus forecourt parking ★ South-westerly facing garden, not overlooked from rear with fields beyond.

OFFERS AROUND £275,000

TETTENHALL

FIRST ADVERTISEMENT

★ Elegant detached residence in excellent position backing onto Golf Course and well placed for access to generous selection of amenities ★ Comfortably appointed accommodation of extended layout, presented to very high standard ★ Hall with fitted Cloakroom ★ 30ft Living Room with defined Lounge and Dining areas ★ Superbly equipped Breakfast Kitchen including range of integrated appliances ★ Three well proportioned Bedrooms (two with built-in wardrobes) ★ Fully tiled Bathroom and separate Toilet ★ Gas-fired central heating ★ Double glazed windows ★ Garage with Utility / Laundry to rear (31ft overall) ★ Block-paved forecourt parking facilities ★ Nicely landscaped 80ft rear garden.

OFFERS AROUND £250,000

TETTENHALL

FIRST ADVERTISEMENT

★ Modern-style detached residence located just off prestigious Wrottesley Road and with the wide selection of amenities at the Upper Green within conveniently short distance ★ Generally well presented whilst a little dated in specification, the accommodation offers scope for some upgrading to realise full potential as a comfortable family home ★ Bow-windowed Lounge ★ Separate Dining Room ★ Stylish Conservatory ★ Well equipped Kitchen ★ Four Bedrooms ★ Bathroom and en-suite Shower Room ★ Gas-fired central heating ★ Majority double glazing ★ Garage and Utility / Laundry ★ Nicely landscaped garden enjoying considerable privacy and southerly aspect.

OFFERS AROUND £235,000

TETTENHALL

FIRST ADVERTISEMENT

★ Modern-style link-detached residence of individual design, enjoying end of cul-de-sac location in one of the city's most popular neighbourhoods ★ Extended accommodation of versatile layout with scope for some upgrading of specification★ Lounge with feature fireplace ★ Separate Dining Room with patio doors to Conservatory ★ Basic Kitchen ★ Adaptable ground floor Study / Bedroom with Shower Room en-suite ★ Three first floor Bedrooms (two with wardrobes) ★ Basic Bathroom ★ Gas-fired central heating ★ Double glazed windows ★ 27ft Garage ★ Neatly landscaped gardens.

OFFERS AROUND £199,950

TETTENHALL WOOD

★ Distinctively unique detached bungalow in lovely mature wooded setting on the highly popular western outskirts of the city ★ Surprisingly spacious accommodation of particularly versatile layout and attractively appointed specification ★ Large Lounge with superb period-style fireplace ★ Separate Dining Room opening onto elegant Conservatory ★ Stylishly equipped Kitchen incorporating range of integrated appliances ★ 17ft Reception / Bedroom ★ Further double Bedroom with range of fitted wardrobes ★ Smart white Shower Room ★ Block-paved forecourt parking facilities ★ Easy maintenance paved rear garden with two-tier patio and interesting oriental pagoda-style summerhouse.

OFFERS AROUND £189,950

WOMBOURNE

NEW PRICE

CHEQUERS AVENUE★ Exquisitely presented and stylishly appointed modern style 3 Bed Semi in pleasant position off exclusive Orton Lane yet near to excellent village facilities and schools ★ No expense spared on creating a luxurious home ★ Side Entrance Hall★ Full-width Lounge with inset contemporary fireplace ★ Superbly refitted Dining Kitchen with a stylish range of units and integrated appliances ★ 3 Bedrooms, two with wardrobes ★ Sumptuously refitted Bathroom with white suite and overbath shower ★ Gas CH and uPVC double glazing ★ Garage & Carport ★ Neatly laid gardens to front and rear ★ Viewing highly recommended

OFFERS AROUND £189,950

CODSALL

NEW PRICE

★ Neat modern-style link-detached bungalow in pleasant cul-de-sac setting within much favoured village neighbourhood with excellent local amenities ★ Impressively presented accomodation with comfortably appointed specification ★ Spacious Living Room with feature fireplace and patio doors ★ Nicely fitted Kitchen with large Utility Area adjacent ★ Two Bedrooms (largest with fitted wardrobes) ★ Fully tiled Bathroom including shower ★ Gas-fired central heating ★ Double glazed windows ★ Carport and driveway parking ★ Landscaped gardens.

OFFERS AROUND £169,950

WOMBOURNE

NEW PRICE

HOLLOWAY DRIVE★ Recently refurbished and stylishly updated modern style 2 Bed Detached Bungalow occupying a pleasant residential position just off Brickbridge Lane adjoining playing fields, convenient for local and supermarket shopping and public transport ★ Cosy and compact interior features Gas CH and uPVC double glazing ★ Hall ★ Lounge with brick fireplace and electric fire ★ Refitted Kitchen with built-in oven and hob ★ 2 Bedrooms ★ Refitted Bathroom with white suite ★ Garage ★ Generous sized gardens ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS AROUND £164,950

WOMBOURNE

NEW PRICE

SYTCH LANE★ Well-proportioned 3 Bed Semi with Conservatory in delightful position near to local shopping, public transport and close to Blakeley Heath primary school ★ Sought after address ★ Neatly presented interior ★ Hall ★ 20ft Lounge with brick fireplace and living flame gas fire ★ uPVC double glazed Conservatory ★ Kitchen and adjoining Breakfast Area ★ 3 Bedrooms ★ luxuriously refitted Shower Room ★ Gas CH and uPVC double glazing ★ Shared driveway to ample Off-Road Parking ★ Delightful rear garden plus further extensive garden ground beyond ★ Scope for Garage provision/additional Parking (subject to necessary consents) ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS AROUND £164,950

NEWBRIDGE

FIRST ADVERTISEMENT

★ First floor apartment in popular complex within pleasant mature setting with good local amenities close by and easy access into city centre ★ Neatly presented accommodation with comfortable modern standard of appointment ★ Living Room ★ Kitchen incorporating integrated appliances ★ Two double Bedrooms, both with built-in wardrobes ★ Smart white Bathroom including shower ★ Electric convector heating ★ Double glazed windows ★ LEASEHOLD. Ground rent and service charge payable.

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Offers £585,000

WOODHOUSE LODGE WOOD ROAD TETTENHALL

A most dignified, spacious and well presented Detached Family Residence of considerable attraction with striking black & white elevations in Tudor style, commanding a wide and most impressive frontage to Wood Road and standing in beautifully landscaped grounds. Porch, office/workshop, rec. hall, cloakroom, utility, fine lounge, sep. drawing room, dining room, sitting area, superbly appointed breakfast kitchen, ground floor bedroom suite with dressing room & ensuite bathroom, First floor study area, two further bedrooms, deluxe bathroom, CH, majority DG.

£450,000

THE GREY COTTAGE FINCHFIELD GARDENS

Distinguished and spacious Detached Dormer Bungalow of character in need of modernisation & redecoration but offering considerable potential standing in beautifully landscaped grounds extending to nearly half an acre. Porch, hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, sitting room, breakfast kitchen, utility room, encl. passageway with w.c. off, principal bed, bathroom, FF landing, bed 2 having dressing area & ensuite bath off, two further beds, oil CH, double garage with loft room/playroom & storage area above (poss be converted into annexe STPP). All reasonable offers considered.

£325,000

COPTHORNE ROAD PENN FIELDS

A very spacious Edwardian Detached Family Residence of much character well appointed and delightfully presented, pleasantly situated just off Penn Road. Porch, Reception Hall, Attractive Lounge, Rear Sitting Room/Dining Room, Superbly fitted "Country House" Breakfast Kitchen, Rear lobby, Shower Room/Utility, Principal Bedroom having Ensuite Shower Room off, Four further Bedrooms, Deluxe Bathroom, uPVC DG, CH, ample off road parking, Private rear garden. Part Exchange may be considered.

£269,950

CHURCH HILL PENN

An attractively styled Detached Bungalow of much appeal enjoying a pleasant setting handy for a wide range of local amenities. Enclosed porch, hall, lounge, dining kitchen, small uPVC double glazed conservatory, two double bedrooms, shower room, majority double glazing, CH, Garage, easy to maintain gardens.

£205,000

ORTON GROVE PENN

Standing in a lovely garden setting an admirable Detached Bungalow of much appeal offering: hall entrance, well fitted breakfast kitchen, spacious "L" shaped lounge/dining area, two bedrooms, ensuite bathroom, family bathroom, enclosed side passageway, utility, uPVC double glazing, gas CH, garage, Early sale desired.

£205,000

ENNERDALE ROAD PALMERS CROSS

A particularly fine, extended Semi Detached Family House of considerable attraction, standing in a stunning and beautifully landscaped garden which has featured on both BBC and ITV, and has also been voted a winner in Garden News. Porch, hall, cloaks, attractive interconnecting lounge/dining room, Victorian style uPVC double glazed conservatory, extended well fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, deluxe bathroom, uPVC DG, CH, garage.

£185,000

CASTLECROFT ROAD FINCHFIELD

A particularly pleasing and considerably extended Semi Detached Family Residence of exceptional appeal enjoying an attractive setting in this highly popular tree lined road. Storm porch, hall, dining room, extended breakfast kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, attic room (currently in use as a bedroom), uPVC DG, CH, garage, attractive rear garden with sunny aspect.

£185,000

WARDLOW CLOSE GOLDTHORN HILL

A Modern Three Bedroom Detached House in need of some modernisation and redcoration but affording much potential, standing in a very pleasant cul-de-sac setting just off Coton Road. Reception Hall, Cloakroom, Interconnecting Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility Room, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Warm Air CH, Part uPVC DG, Carport, Garage, Landscaped Rear Garden.

Offers From £175,000

JEDBURGH AVENUE PERTON

An attractive Detached Bungalow holding a lovely corner setting and handy for Perton's excellent shopping centre. Reception Hall, Lounge/Dining Area, Breakfast Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, uPVC double glazed Conservatory, uPVC DG, CH, Car port, Garage, Laid out Gardens. Viewing recommended. No upward chain.

£169,995, with £5000 cash back incentive for early exchange of contracts.

CHURCH ROAD BRADMORE

An altogther attractive and delightfully presented Modern Semi Detached House of considerable charm, enjoying a highly convenient setting in this very popular road. Canopy porch, hall, guests cloakroom, fine lounge, well fitted dining kitchen, principal bedroom having ensuite shower room, two further bedrooms, deluxe family bathroom, CH, double glazing, garage, laid out gardens, excellent summer house - ideal playroom/studio etc.

£164,950

MOORS DRIVE COVEN

An attractive Modern Semi Detached Bungalow ideal for the retired and young at heart, pleasantly situated close to the village centre and many lovely country walks. Enclosed porch, hall, living room, breakfast kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, uPVC DG, CH, ample parking space, laid out gardens.

Offers £160,000

WIGHTWICK COURT WIGHTWICK

A delightfully presented and well appointed First Floor Apartment of considerable attraction, enjoying a lovely setting in this much sought after area. Communal entrance, shared landing, private hall entracne, attractive "L" shaped lounge, dining area, well fitted kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, garage in nearby black, visitors and residential parking area, communal gardens.

Offers, guide £145,000

CATISFIELD CRESCENT PENDEFORD

A surprisingly spacious Mid Town House ideal for the first time buyer, well positioned for local amenities and the city centre. Recessed porch, through hall, cloakroom, large store cupboard, lounge, well fitted dining kitchen, three bedrooms, deluxe bathroom, uPVC DG, part CH, gardens, parking space at the rear. ★★NO UPWARD CHAIN★★

£81,000

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Cornmill Grove

Detached House• Four Bedrooms• Lounge/diner• Fitted kitchen• Downstairs w/c• Double Glazing• Garage• Front And Rear Gardens

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PERTON £209,950

CUNNINGHAM ROAD

Extended Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow•Lounge•Conservatory•Kitchen•Utility•Bathroom•Shower Room•Double Glazing•Gas Central Heating•Front and Rear Gardens

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PERTON £200,000

ROUNDWAY DOWN

FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE•LOUNGE•KITCHEN/DINING ROOM•UTILITY/WC•PLAYROOM•BATHROOM/WC•DOUBLE GLAZING•GAS CENTRAL HEATING•FRONT AND REAR GARDENS

PERTON ✆ 01902 744111

PERTON £199,950

Hepworth Close

Four Bedroom Detached House•Lounge With Dining Area• Sitting Room & Kitchen• First Floor Contemporary Shower Room• Double Glazing• Gas Central Heating• Front And Rear Gardens

PERTON ✆ 01902 744111

Perton £194,999

Edge Hill Drive

Three Bedroom Detached House• Lounge• Dining Room• Kitchen• Downstairs W/C• Double Glazing• Gas Central Heating• Garage• Driveway For Parking

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PERTON £191,950

Cocton Close

Four Bedroom Semi Detached House• Lounge/diner• Kitchen• Utility Area•Study• Master Bedroom With Balcony Enjoying Open Rear Views and Having Ensuite Shower Room• Family Bathroom• Driveway

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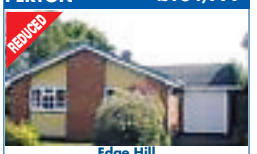
PERTON £184,999



Edge Hill

Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow•Lounge•Breakfast Kitchen•Garage•Front and Rear Gardens•No Upward Chain•Gas Central Heating•Double Glazing Where Stated

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PERTON £182,500

Shackleton Drive

Detached House• Three Bedrooms• Lounge with Dining Area• Kitchen & Conservatory• Downstairs W/C• Double Glazing• Gas Central Heating• Garage• Black Paved Drive

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BILBROOK £164,950

Pendeford Mill Lane

Semi Detached House• Lounge• Sitting Room• Conservatory• Thru Hallway• Breakfast Kitchen• Utility Area• Double Glazing•Driveway For Parking

PERTON ✆ 01902 744111

PERTON £155,000

Melrose Drive

•Extended Semi Detached House•Three Bedrooms•Lounge•Kitchen/Diner•Study Room•Double Glazing Where Stated•Bathroom/Shower Room•Front And Rear Gardens

PERTON ✆ 01902 744111

PERTON £129,950

The Windrow

Semi Detached House• Two Bedrooms• Lounge• Kitchen/Diner•Garage• Gas Central Heating• Cul De Sac Location

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CODSALL £125,000

Lime Tree Road

Three bedroom Town House• Lounge•Breakfast Kitchen•Sun Room•utility•Gas Central Heating•Double Glazing Where Stated•Bathroom•Driveway For Parking•

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PERTON £84,999

Melrose Drive

One Bedroom House• Lounge• Kitchen• Bedroom• Bathroom w/c• Double Glazing• Front And Side Gardens• Double Glazing• Off Road Parking

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BADER ROAD

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PERTON £61,000

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• Extended Semi Detached Family Home • Viewing Highly Recommended • Dining Room • Extended Sun Room • Extended Breakfast Kitchen • Covered Veranda • Three Bedrooms • Family Bathroom • Off Road Parking & Gardens •

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WOLVERHAMPTON £147,500

ACKLETON GARDENS

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The Speed Triple from Triumph has seen some changes with a radical new look, more power and better handling. Priced £8,799 (plus £600 for the ABS version)

Popular Triumph back with new look

By John Griffiths

IT SEEMS rather over the top to describe Triumph's new Speed Triple as a legend when it only appeared in showrooms this year.

But while Triumph twins remain icons of a previous generation, the three-cylinder engines launched in 1994 propelled the new generation of bikes into the 21st century and quickly established a following of their own.

In that same year, Triumph conceived what was to become known as the "streetfighter" class: Sports machines without the conventional fairing and windshield.

Pundits rated the previous Speed Triple as among the best in its class. The new machine is even better, with a radical new look, new instruments, a little more power and a lot better handling.

The 1,050cc beast has 133bhp (up from 129bhp) and an all-new tubular alloy frame. That enabled the engineers to move the engine's position slightly forward, improving balance and making for sharper steering and more agile handling.

Exhausts

Redesigned exhausts help boost power, and while not noisy you're always aware of the pleasing growl on acceleration and the "pop pop" from the cans as you close the throttle to set up for a corner.

The new bike has a flatter torque curve, too, for smooth, flowing performance throughout the rev range, from first to sixth gear.

The Triumph made easy work of the twisting byways of the Shropshire border as well as safely making its way through slower traffic on busy A roads, the instant response to a touch of throttle making for quick, safe overtaking.

The seat is now a little thinner and a touch lower, making the Speed Triple more comfortably accessible for short-legged riders such as me.

At the front, the round twin headlights have been replaced by a more modern, faceted design and there's a new, easier to read digital instrument display.

The new bike is short wheelbase, which aids agility, with an edgier, futuristic design which is certainly eye-catching, particulary in the white livery of the test bike. The mass is so well-concentrated in the centre of the machine that a short plastic "fish tail" protrudes from under the rear seats to hold the rear lights beyond the back wheel.

The use of race-derived Metzeler K3 tyres seems to cope particular well with putting the Speed Triple's power and torque down safely and securely.

Performance

At £8,799 (plus £600 if you choose the ABS version) the Speed Triple is reasonably priced for a large capacity machine with sports bike performance.

Open the throttle on the 12-valve, fuel-injected engine for a quick burst of overtaking acceleration and be prepared to hang on tight.

Neither is the Triumph a heavy bike at 214kg, but tackling twisting B roads it feels lighter still, flicking quickly left and right without noticeable physical effort. Yet at steady motorway speeds, it has excellent straight line stability even on a blustery day.

Fuel consumption (depending on riding style and type of journey) is likely to vary between 40 and 50-plus mpg.

The Speed Triple has been a big seller for Triumph, and it's good to see that this latest stylish and competent British-built bike is set to remain a class leader.

Triumph Speed Triple – at a glance

Engine: Three cylinder, 1,050cc, 12-valve engine with 133bhp of torque with a six-speed gearbox.

Wheels and tyres: 120/70ZR17 (front); 190/55ZR17 (back).

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In 2010, 10,475 motorists were convicted of the offence, almost 1,000 more than in 2009.

The figures seem to indicate that as budgets tighten at home, drivers are putting off buying replacement tyres until they have passed beyond the legal minimum.

The law states that car tyres must have at least 1.6mm of tread across three-quarters of the width of the tyre and all the way around the circumference.

Most new tyres come with around 8mm of tread when new, so the difference in the respective performance of old and new tyres, especially in the wet, is significant.

Potential

Even though the penalty for driving on tyres below the legal limit is up to £2,500 per tyre, as well as a mandatory three points per tyre endorsement on your driving licence, the potential alternative of serious accident could be far, far worse.

Stuart Jackson, chairman of TyreSafe, a non-profit organisation dedicated to highlighting the dangers of over-worn or damaged tyres, says: "These latest figures are very worrying indeed and show that the courts take a very dim view of people driving on defective tyres.

"We are aware that with recent financial pressures, many motorists are delaying the purchase of new tyres. However, as these latest figures show, some are waiting far too long and are risking their own safety and that of other roads users by going beyond the legal minimum standards."

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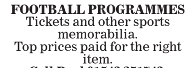

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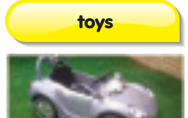

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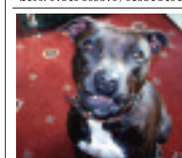

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ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991
Lawnswood Road, Lawnswood
Diversion of Vehicular Traffic

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Staffordshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of Lawnswood Road, Lawnswood from a point approximately 150 metres northeast of A449 Wolverhampton Road for a distance of approximately 100 metres, unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works. Access to frontages, emergency service vehicles and pedestrians will be maintained.

The preferred alternative route for traffic will be available via A449 Wolverhampton Road, Ridgehill Road, Lawnswood Road and vice versa.

THE ORDER WILL COME INTO OPERATION ON MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2011, AND THE SAID WORKS WILL COMMENCE ON OR AS NEAR AS PRACTICABLE TO THAT DATE. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE WORKS WILL BE COMPLETED BY FRIDAY 02 DECEMBER 2011.

The Order will remain in force for a period of 18 months or until the main sewer works, which it is proposed to carry out on or near the road, have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

Date: 10 November 2011

John Tradewell, Director of Law and Democracy, County Buildings, Martin Street, Stafford ST16 2LH

Ref: S15331; Enquiries: Mrs. Simmonds; Tel: 0300 111 8020

STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED)
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991
Himley Lane, Swindon
Diversion of Vehicular Traffic

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Staffordshire County Council, on 08 November 2011, made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of Himley Lane between its junction with Wombourne Road and B4176 Bridgnorth Road unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works; or unless the vehicle requires access to premises on the length of road or is being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes. Pedestrian access will be maintained.

The preferred alternative route for traffic will be available via Wombourne Road, B4176 Bridgnorth Road and vice versa.

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Date: 10 November 2011

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STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED)
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Windmill Bank, Wombourne
Diversion of Vehicular Traffic

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Staffordshire County Council, on 08 November 2011, made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of Windmill Bank, Wombourne between its junctions with Church Road and Planks Lane unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works; or unless the vehicle requires access to premises on the length of road or is being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes. Pedestrian access will be maintained.

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Slow start but Wolves triumph to regain top spot in league

HOCKEY UPDATE

First Team
Wolverhampton 7
Barton 3

Wolves firsts won at a canter again to regain top spot in the league. Wolves started the slower of the two teams but once Tom Schubert dispatched the first goal they took the ascendancy and dominated the first half to take a 0-3 lead into the break.

The scoreline from the second period disguised the fact that the game failed to inspire as slack game play allowed the adventurous Barton a foothold in the game at 3-5.

Wolves did just enough, never hitting top gear but emerging with a comfortable win. Again the team provided glimpses of the hockey they are capable of producing without maintaining their targeted levels for the entire game.

Wolves will be keen to produce a big performance next week against Stratford. A hat-trick from Tom Schubert and two goals from Manni Sangha were added to by Andy Peters and the first goal of the season for Jared Oliver.

Man of the match was Manni Sangha.

Second Team
Wolverhampton 2
Solihull Blossomfield 1

Wolverhampton started not too well going a goal down. After making a few changes including bringing on man-of-the-match Rob Watterson, Wolves played better hockey. A great strike from Tom Hammond equalised, then a short corner strike from the captain Ross Clarke gave Wolves the edge.

Fourth Team
Wolverhampton 2
Leek 1

A strong defiant Wolves fourth team met the team above them and showed what could be achieved with true grit and determination. Goals from Jon Maybury put Wolves in a commanding position at half time.

Leek came out fighting and got a goal back but Wolves settled down and comfortably held on to the 2-1 win.

Fifth Team
Wolverhampton 3
Bridgnorth 1

Another away game but a first for many of the youngsters playing on grass. A different style of hockey was needed which meant many of the older players demonstrating bygone skills. Playing uphill on a sunny afternoon presented a challenge.

Wolverhampton's defensive error allowed Bridgnorth to take an early lead but a quick equalising goal by Matt Laycock, followed by another by Jonathan Ash finished the first half 2-1 to Wolverhampton.

Matt Laycock continued to impress, supported by youngsters from the Badgers they continued to dominate with Simon Laycock setting up the last goal for son Matt Laycock to finish the game 3-1.

Matt Laycock deservedly earned man of the match.

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BILBROOK

Under 9 League Cup
Bilbrook West 5 Halesowen Town Colts Whites 1
A deserved win over a division two side

Under 10 League Cup
CS Colts 4 Bilbrook 0
Battling performance against high-flying division one side

Under 11 South Staffs Young Women's League
Bilbrook 5 Chasetown 1
A deserved win for this improving team.

Under 12
Shelfield Hattrick 0 Bilbrook 2
A brace from Morgan Ball keeps Bilbrook going up table.

Under 15
Bilbrook 3 Archdales 73 2
Twice fighting back from a goal down and a late winner gave Bilbrook a thrilling 3-2 victory with goals from Sean Holt, Ben Stanton and Jayden McCalla.

Under 16
Bilbrook 2 Leamington DS 3
Goals from Jake Bennett and Mitchell Bates goal could not prevent this close defeat.

Under 15 Staffs County Cup
Bilbrook 2 Pelsall Villa Colts 3
A first defeat of the season in this close competitive game.

Under 16 Staffs County Cup
Bilbrook 1 Stafford Town 2
With Bilbrook's normal cutting edge and passing game missing a single goal from Titch and a man of the match performance from goalkeeper Harry were the positives to take from Bilbrook's exit from the county competition.

Under 18
West Hagley West 1 Bilbrook 8
An overwhelming victory kept up Bilbrook's unbeaten run.

CRESSWELL

Under 13
Cresswell Wanderers 0
Chase Athletic 3

In a massive game for both teams Cresswell were never allowed to get going. Chase dominated play and thoroughly deserved a 2-0 lead at half time. Cresswell tried to fight back but fell foul to a deserved penalty to be rammed home by a former Wanderer. Keeper Ben Harris saved a second penalty and numerous other chances whilst Billy Davies made typical brilliant tackles attempting to save his team's blushes. Both teams were left all square at the top of division one, Cresswell just ahead on goal difference.

OLD WULFS

Under 13
Old Wulfs North 4
Wyrley Juniors Lions 1

Old Wulfs' recent improved form continued with a fine win at home to Wyrley Juniors Lions. However, they nearly found themselves a goal down early on and had Tommy Parkes to thank for keeping it all square when he saved a Wyrley penalty. This galvanised Old Wulfs who took the lead when James Williams headed home a right wing free kick. Armann Smalling doubled the advantage soon after but before the break Wryley reduced the deficit to make it 2-1 at half time.

After the restart Old Wulfs increased their lead when Matt Davies struck a magnificent long range effort and wrapped up victory when James Williams added his second heading home a corner to give a final 4-1 scoreline.

PERTON & CODSALL

Under 10
Perton and Codsall 7
Springvale Steelers Academy (Lions) 1

A hat-trick from Thomas Aithison and a brace apiece from Jack O'Regan and Sean Gallagher ensured that Perton have secured the Autumn League South Division title with one game still to play.

Under 12
Sedgley White Lions 0
Perton & Codsall 8

Great performance from the boys. It was the first time this season that Perton had kept a clean sheet thanks to the veteran and the back four who worked incredibly hard. James Tranter was captain; his hard work was rewarded with a goal. Alex Mitchell scored his second hat-trick of the season with the other goals were from Matthew O'Donnell, Curtis Wood, Jack Dew and Jack Smith. Man-of-the-match was Matthew ODonnell.

Under 14
Short Heath Rangers 0
Perton & Codsall East 1

Perton and Codsall continued their improvement on recent weeks with a good 1-0 win over a good hard-working Short Heath team. With both teams trying to play football the right way lots of chances were created but with some bad finishing and some good goalkeeping from both keepers. Just when it looked like the game might end in a draw, in the 60th minute Jack Wylde pounced onto a through ball from Tom Brennand to hit it hard past the keeper who despite making a great effort couldn't quite keep it out. Short Heath then tried hard to find an equaliser but couldn't find a way past a well-marshalled defence and goalkeeper.

Perton and Codsall Wolves 4
Wednesbury Sports Union 2

Wednesbury were clearly fired up from the start. Despite Perton looking more dangerous it was Wednesbury, on seven minutes, who took the lead. Nathan Reeves failed to collect a through ball and in the confusion Jordan Douglas Price was on hand to slide the ball into an empty net. They added to their lead on 15 minutes. The ball broke free on the edge of the box a long range effort could only be pushed against the underside of the crossbar. Kyle Hall was quickest to react and gratefully pounced on the rebound to double Wednesbury's lead.

After missing a couple of gilt edge chances Perton crucially got a goal back just before half time. Ramesh Ram finding the bottom corner of the net from the edge of the box. Perton started the second half on the front foot but just couldn't find the goal they needed to tie the game. As the match entered the final quarter Perton switched to a 3-5-2 formation and it bought dividends. Shiloe Bernard outmuscled the defender to shoot past Mathew Morgan. Liam Morgillo raced into the box from the right wing, beating the keeper with his shot low to his right, to give Perton the lead. Then when Liam's mesmerising run finally saw him bought down right on the edge of the box. Louis Harper stepped up to curl in a delightful free kick.

Under 15
New Park Village 1
Perton & Codsall 4

A great performance with four well-taken goals; a great hat-trick from Ricardo Samuels and one from Ryan Turner.

Under 21
Rostance Edwards 2
Perton & Codsall 1

Another fine competitive performance against one of the top teams in the division considering four players who would have probably started were not available through injury. Perton & Codsall took the lead from a free kick when an excellent delivery from Andy Flavell caused panic in the opposition's defence for Oli Harris to blast the ball home from near the penalty spot. The equaliser came from a disputed penalty. Half time 1-1.

The second half saw the opposition step up the pace and they took the lead halfway through with a well-taken goal on the break. Perton & Codsall battled hard for the equaliser but could not manage the breakthrough. The squad is developing and is becoming more competitive against the top and more experienced teams.

PENN COLTS

Under 9 League Cup
Stourbridge Glassboys 1
Penn Colts North 2

A double strike from Aman Gill ensured Penn went into the next round of the cup in this clash of the giants. Man-of-the-match Vikai Dass helped ensure Penn dominated the first half. Penn's Kyle Price was solid in defence.

Early in the second half Penn took the lead after Aman Gill beat two players before sliding the ball past the Stourbridge goalkeeper. This served to spur Stourbridge into action who then took the game to Penn. Liam Brown made some fantastic saves before the pressure told and the game was level at 1-1.

Penn clearly did not want the game going into extra time and pushed on. James Allen made his way clear of the Stourbridge midfield and slid Aman Gill through who coolly made his way round the goalkeeper and dispatched the ball into the back of the goal.

Penn Colts West 2
Sedgley White Lions East 2
(after extra time. Sedgley win on penalties)

A competitive cup game between two evenly-matched sides which saw Penn take an early lead after a fine passing move finally saw Brwa Gafur centre for Jack Humphreys to guide the ball in for the lead. Sedgley battled back strongly to equalise five minutes later.

Early in the second half Sedgley took the lead with a super finish on the run from outside the box giving Arun Powar in the Penn goal no chance. Directly from the resulting kick off Penn sliced through the Sedgley ranks with some crisp passing to set Blake Brownhill free on the edge of the Sedgley box but his shot went just wide. Two minutes from time the Sedgley keeper handled the ball outside his box. Jack Humphreys equalised, cleverly taking the resulting free kick quickly whilst the Sedgley defence were still organising.

Penn Colts 1
Wombourne United 1
(Penn win 4-2 on penalties)

Penn started brightly scoring early on with a well taken goal by Liam Davies who beat three defenders before slotting the ball home. Towards the end of the first half Wombourne hit back and were putting Penn under a lot of pressure which resulted in an equaliser.

The second half was very even until the last 15 when Penn took control. Extra time was very edgy with both teams having chances but in the end it went to penalties. Goal Keeper David Hatton won man-of-the-match for an excellent game and saving two penalties.

Girls Under 12
Halas Hawks 1
Penn Colts 0

Penn and Halas played a very even and entertaining game. Both keepers performed very well with Penn having Lara Fellows in goal who usually plays outfield. Good attacking play from Penn just could not force an equaliser in the second half with girl-of-the-match Lauren coming close on several occasions in her first ever match.

Under 15
Penn Colts 5
Wednesbury 5

A 10-goal thriller saw a very close and well competed match with Wednesbury taking a 2-1 lead into half time. An enthralling second half saw Penn Colts leading 5-3 with 10 minutes to go. Penn had further chances to extend their lead but two late goals from Wednesbury saw the honours shared, Penn's goals were two for Jerome Samuels, two for Devante Shearer and one for Musa Ndhlovu.

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HOPE THAT WIN WILL KICK-START SEASON

MOLINEUX UPDATE with TIM SPIERS

DAVID EDWARDS hailed the biggest goal of his career after Wolves finally picked up three very welcome points by beating Wigan at Molineux.

Jamie O'Hara and Stephen Ward were also on the scoresheet as Wolves moved up to 13th in the Premier League table and ended a miserable run of eight winless matches.

Although by no means a classic performance, the hard-fought win was the perfect tonic for Mick McCarthy's side ahead of a two-week international break.

And Welshman Edwards, who crucially edged Wolves 2-1 in front when the game was firmly in the balance, said he hoped the win would kick-start the team's season.

Unchanged

"I think it was (my most important goal), with the situation we have been in with the run of results," the 25-year-old said. "Hopefully the bad run is out of the way and it will kick-start things and we can stay in and around mid-table. It's such a tough league but we've got targets inside the camp which we think are achievable."

Edwards was part of an unchanged line-up from the one which had lost 3-1 at Manchester City a week earlier, with the unfit Steven Fletcher only making the bench.

And the midfielder was in the thick of the action from the off, testing Wigan keeper Ali Al Habsi with a 20-yard shot in the third minute.

Stephen Hunt then had a seemingly obvious penalty claim turned down when he was clearly tagged by Al Habsi, but the Irishman's refusal to go to ground probably cost Wolves the decision.

Sheer delight as Wolves' O'Hara scores

Ward battles through and goes on to score the third goal

Wigan had lost eight on the bounce in all competitions but the Latics then began to regularly carve open the Wolves defence, with Hugo Rodallega fortunately sending a free 12-yard shot straight at Wayne Hennessey.

Rodallega's profligacy let Wolves off the hook again soon after when he sliced wide after being put through on goal. That was to prove a very costly miss as just 30 seconds later Wolves were in front.

The resulting Hennessey goal kick was flicked on to Kevin Doyle who moved into the area before squaring for O'Hara to lash home left-footed.

By half time though they were back to square one with Ben Watson finding the net – after his penalty was saved by Hennessey – following a Hunt foul on Emmerson Boyce in the box.

After the break Franco Di Santo fired wide for Wigan before Edwards edged Wolves back in front, lashing the loose ball home after Al Habsi had made two saves from Hunt and O'Hara following a sterling Karl Henry run and cross.

Eleven minutes later Al Habsi was at it again, pulling off an astonishing save to keep O'Hara's shot from a Jarvis cross but once more Wigan failed to clear and Ward slammed home the rebound to make it 3-1.

Christophe Berra nearly added a fourth but former Bolton keeper Al Habsi somehow pushed the Scot's powerful header over the bar, before Wolves saw out the remaining minutes to earn the victory.

"Today was the one we needed to win and we did," McCarthy said after the game. "It is a relief because you can't keep going not winning and it's important against a team which will probably be one of our rivals."

"So it's a huge win, really valuable and much needed."

Players get the boot as sides tackle a poor pitch

Hanwood United 1 AFC Wombourne Utd 3

IT'S hard to play good football on a poor pitch, but Wombourne battled hard here to take the three points.

AFC should have taken the lead in the 17th minute when Adam Callinswood's shot was finger-tipped away by the Hanwood keeper, but no-one was on hand to tap in the loose ball.

Chris Holliday opened the scoring from the penalty spot when Paul Harris was brought down in the box giving Wombourne a 1-0 lead at half time.

Five minutes into the second half, Harris had a good chance but his shot went just wide of the far post and five minutes later he was pulled down by the Hanwood keeper to give Wombourne their second penalty of the game and the keeper was shown the red card. Chris Holliday had no problem scoring his second from the spot.

Handled

A mistake from Jon Clarke allowed the home side to pull a goal back before they were reduced to nine men when a second red card was shown for a bad tackle on Callinswood who was to take no further part in the game.

Liam Illsley saw red for the visitors when he received a second yellow card when he was judged to have deliberately handled the ball before Jon Clarke was on hand to tap in a simple ball after some good work by Harris to make the final score 3-1.

This result puts Wombourne only three points off second place in the league.

Blow as Bilston lacking

Bridgnorth Town Reserves 2 Bilston Town 1

In what was possibly the worst performance for a long time, Bilston threw away a half-time lead to produce a second half show that lacked discipline and organisation and saw them go home empty-handed.

Forget the beach 'Aussie Tom' just loves Wolves

Australian football coach Tom Alexakis enjoys training with Wolves

SWAPPING 30 degree heat, sun-kissed beaches and a cultural metropolis for the somewhat unglamorous Wolverhampton might not be everybody's idea of a two-week getaway.

But fanatical football coach Tom Alexakis enjoys it so much he makes the 20,000 mile round trip from Sydney, Australia to the Black Country twice a year.

For the past fortnight 'Aussie Tom' has been spending time at Wolves' Compton training ground, learning about what exactly goes on behind the scenes at a Premier League club.

The link came about when he met academy assistant manager Gareth Prosser at a UEFA coaching course and was invited to come and observe Wolves' training methods.

Back home Tom is a full-time technical director for Sydney Olympic FC, a team based in the second tier of Australian's football pyramid who count none other than South Coast Wolves among their opponents.

He jumped at the chance to see first-hand how Wolves nurture and train their young academy players, trying to mould them into Premier League stars of the future.

"I absolutely relished the opportunity because it's nothing like what we have back home," said Tom, on his fourth trip to Wolverhampton. The facilities are great and the kids get fantastic feedback from their coaches. They really keep their education programme going as well which is great to see.

"I'm not so much coaching the Wolves boys, I'm here more to familiarise and observe what they do and work with coaches as required, like an apprenticeship."

Tom, whose job at Sydney Olympic is the equivalent to an academy manager, makes the trips off his own bat despite him having no family in England to visit. He has an Asian Football Federation A coaching licence but says the self-funded trips are worth their weight in gold for the knowledge he picks up.

Monitor

"I learn so much at Wolves to take back with me to Sydney Olympic and the club appreciate the knowledge I can pass on to them. It's a huge learning curve but I treasure every minute; to talk to the coaches, the scouts, the welfare officer, just seeing how they monitor the students."

Tom is already planning a return visit to Wolverhampton next May and hopes to complete the Academy Manager's Award to further his coaching qualifications. And after that – the sky's the limit.

"Maybe one day I could even work for Wolves, you just never know."

Holders hunt cup victory

HOLDERS AFC Wulfrunians are first to reach the quarter-finals of this season's JW Hunt Cup competition. They beat Rugeley Rangers 3-1 in the second round. Rest of the draw: Heath Hayes or Newport Town v Continental Star, Willenhall Town v Penkridge Town, Wrens Nest or Cadbury Athletic v Wellington Amateurs, Stafford Town v Tividale, Warstones Wanderers v Penncroft, Dudley Town v Sporting Khalsa, Wyrley Juniors or Black Country Rangers v Brocton.

DARTS

Wanderer to open Slam

WOLVERHAMPTON favourite Wayne 'The Wanderer' Jones will open the William Hill Grand Slam of Darts on Saturday night (12) when the £400,000 tournament kicks off at the Wolves Civic.

The 32-player tournament begins at 8pm on Saturday night with eight group matches from Groups A-D being held in front of a sell-out crowd.

Jones, whose run to the semi-finals of last year's Grand Slam of Darts saw the city unite in support of their local professional, will take on World Grand Prix runner-up Brendan Dolan in the tournament's opening game.

Mark Walsh meets Tony O'Shea before debutant Dean Winstanley faces two-time World Champion Ted Hankey in the night's third game.

Five-time World Champion Raymond van Barneveld plays another newcomer, Stoke's Ian White, in game four before 2010 Grand Slam of Darts runner-up James Wade plays Dave Chisnall.

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